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Asians Assail Cap
On Immigration
Reform Bill

By SERENA CHEN

SAN FRANCISCO - Last Friday, Asian and Hispanic immigration activists blasted the latest version of the Kennedy-Simpson immigration bill, calling the proposed cap on the number of people allowed into the US a "big atrocity for Asians and Latinos." The bill has left the Senate Judiciary Committee and is expected to reach the Senate floor Monday.

"This is the first time in the history of the United States that a numerical cap has been placed on overall immigration," said Mabel Teng, co-chair of the Committee for Immigration Justice.

Organizers pointed to a US General Accounting Office report which states that under the proposed law, use of the family visa preference system would be eliminated in 10 years, thus barring the immigration of family members other than spouses, parents and minor children; and brothers and sisters of US citizens could end up waiting over 75 years for a visa while remaining unmarried.

Senator Paul Simon (D-Ill.), however, is optimistic about the bill, pointing out that he was able to restore the fifth preference category and eliminate the points preference given immigrants who speak English. His changes are currently under attack by Senator Jesse Helms (R-NC) who is against allowing the "extended families" of immigrants into the country and by the US English organization which wants to restore pre-1965 immigration patterns.

While Asian and Hispanic immigration activists acknowledge Simon's attempts at making the Kennedy-Simpson bill more responsive to their constituencies, they have vowed to move towards either eliminating the cap or, failing that, to have the bill defeated.

Civil Rights
Under Siege

By VALERIE CHOW BUSH

SAN FRANCISCO - In what many civil rights activists consider yet another major blow to affirmative action this year, a sharply divided Supreme Court ruled June 12 that court-approved affirmative action settlements — consent decrees — are open to legal challenges by white workers.

The 5-4 decision came only one week after a Supreme Court decision effectively overruled an 18-year-old civil rights precedent and placed the burden of proof on the employee rather than the employer to show that a job requirement is discriminatory. In January, the court declared unconstitutional a Richmond, Va., minority business plan which set aside 30 percent of public works contracts for minority contractors.

Monday's Supreme court ruling, written by Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist, permits white firefighters in Birmingham, Ala., who claimed they were the victims of "reverse discrimination," to challenge an eight-year-old consent decree intended to increase the number of blacks in the department.

Consent decrees, long considered immune from subsequent suits, may now be challenged by workers who did not participate in the proceedings leading up to the original agreement. The court's ruling did not specify a time limit to such challenges, and it is unclear whether a person hired years after a consent decree could file a suit.

Writing for the majority, Chief Justice Rehnquist said, "A judgment or decree among parties to a lawsuit resolves issues as among them, but it does not conclude the rights of strangers to those proceedings."

Justice John Paul Stevens disagreed, and in a dissenting opinion warned that the ruling would "subject large employers who seek to comply with the law by remedying past discrimination to a never-ending stream of litigation and potential liability."

Reaction to the Supreme Court's ruling from local civil rights activists was prompt and critical.

"The signal is clear," said Henry Der, Director of Chinese for Affirmative Action. "The Supreme Court fully intends to reverse the civil rights advances made in the last two and a half decades. They're chipping away at previous [Supreme Court] decisions that brought justice to the workplace."

Asian Law Caucus attorney Dennis Hayashi said he was not surprised by the decision, but was alarmed by "the length to which this court is willing to go to reverse previous decisions."

"The court is not being very honest in their



(Photo by Frederic Brown)

Barbara Liu of SF posed as a living replica of the Goddess of Democracy at the June 10 vigil at SF City Hall. Stories on local Chinese student support events on page 5.

approach; they say these decisions are consistent with past ones, but in fact they are a reversal of past decisions and are not consistent with the spirit of previous civil rights rulings," Hayashi said. "The Supreme Court is fulfilling the Reagan administration's agenda."

The Supreme Court's decision should have little, if any, impact on court-approved affirmative action programs for San Francisco's fire and police departments, according to civil rights attorney Eva Jefferson Paterson and Hayashi, who were involved in the firefighters' desegregation agreements.

Unlike the Birmingham case where the firefighters did not participate in the discrimination lawsuit and its settlement, the San Francisco police and firefighter's unions were actively involved in the original court settlements. The San Francisco police union was involved in a 1979 settlement between the city and a group of minorities and women who filed a discrimination lawsuit in 1973. The resulting 10-year affirmative action plan, which recently was approved for an extension, called for a change in the police department's hiring and promotion practices for women and minorities.

The firefighters' union, Local 798, was also a direct party in a lawsuit filed against the city

by a group of minority and women firefighters which was settled by a consent decree last June. According to Hayashi, Local 798 consistently opposed the consent decree and filed an appeal with the US Court of Appeals (9th Circuit) 9 months ago, claiming the decision is unconstitutional because it discriminates against whites.

The Court of Appeals heard oral arguments last week, and the case is still pending, Hayashi said.

In another June 12 Supreme Court decision, which many civil rights attorneys also consider a serious setback, the justices placed strict time limitations on the filing of lawsuits challenging allegedly discriminatory seniority systems.

The 5-3 decision, written by Justice Antonin Scalia, ruled that three women working for an American Telephone and Telegraph plant in Illinois waited too long before filing a lawsuit claiming a seniority system discriminated against them.

Attorney Paterson said she was struck by an inherent contradiction between the two high court decisions. "They threw out a discrimination case brought by women, saying

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FORUM

EDITORIAL

By SERENA CHEN

As the world looks on in shock and disgust at the Chinese government's blatant and shameless rewriting of history, the role that Chinese Americans must play has become eminently clear. We must make sure that the events of June 4, 1989 in Tiananmen Square are well-documented, collected and kept on the minds of all Americans — from young people all the way up to the highest elected officials.

This documentation must be shared with the people of China, for it is they who should decide who their leaders are and what kind of government they want.

The heinous acts of the current ruling leaders of the Chinese government have propelled many people of Chinese ancestry to rise up in anger and condemnation. Here in

the United States, the outpouring of support for the fallen students can be seen in huge demonstrations all over the country by Chinese Americans.

Only twice before have we been so mobilized en masse. The first time was during

the year before, thousands of Chinese and other Americans demonstrated and formed picket lines to prevent the loading of scrap iron onto ships headed for Japan.

We are outraged at the Chinese leaders' disregard for human life and liberty and are

Americans is to keep the flame alive — to support the Chinese students' movement for democracy and a fair and just government, and we urge all of our readers to join us.

Ling-chi Wang, professor of Asian American studies at UC Berkeley, a member of the *East West* editorial board and a founding member of the Foundation for Chinese Democracy, has written a stirring commentary (see below) on how Chinese Americans can further the cause of the Chinese students.

The task ahead of us is immense — that of helping the Chinese people forge their own path to democracy and political reform — but the reward will be knowing that those who have lost their lives in the struggle have not died in vain.

Help us to shape history.

ON SHAPING HISTORY

WWI, when Chinese Americans dug deep into their pockets and gave thousands of dollars to support Dr. Sun Yat-sen's efforts to overthrow the Manchu dynasty and to create a democratic China, free from foreign domination. In 1938, angered by the US selling of scrap iron to Japan, which had invaded China

deeply saddened by a return to a society held together by fear, betrayal and suspicion.

We cannot and will not stand-by and allow the people of our ancestral homeland, who represent nearly one-fifth of the world's population, live in ignorance of its leaders' crimes against humanity. Our role as Chinese

The Spirit of Tiananmen Lives

By LING-CHI WANG

Two conflicting images of Tiananmen Square are now deeply engraved into the hearts and minds of people around the world. One is of the students, symbolizing hope and optimism; the other — of soldiers massacring

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unarmed citizens — is of repression and despair. These images, brought into our living rooms by electronic technology, have drawn the whole world into the center of the unfolding drama hour by hour, blow by blow.

Before June 4, we were there to support the aspirations for greater freedom and democracy by the students. We shared the sufferings of the 3,000 hunger strikers, celebrated when workers, government bureaucrats, soldiers, policemen, intellectuals and artists joined hands in voicing their concerns to the deeply divided Chinese Communist Party and government.

But on June 4, we were shocked and horrified by the indiscriminate killing of hundreds, if not thousands of unarmed, peaceful, patriotic citizens. Our dream for China was turned into a nightmare by the tanks and heavily armed troops as they crushed the demonstrators.

Unfortunately, the nightmare is far from over. Ignoring worldwide condemnation, the Deng Xiaoping/Yang Shangkun/Li Peng clique has begun a reign of terror throughout China. The regime is conducting a media blitz of disinformation, denying that the June 4 massacre ever took place — despite the fact that it was witnessed by thousands in China and millions in the rest of the world.

At the same time, the regime is rounding up and purging dissidents within the party, the government and all work places, labeling them as counterrevolutionaries, traitors or agents of foreign governments.

For Chinese Americans the initial shock and disbelief of the massacre has changed into feelings of helplessness and despair. Many are wondering if anything can be done

to reverse this repressive trend.

We think there are some things that can be done. We are inspired and heartened by the spirit of Tiananmen Square. We know that millions of Chinese people want political reform and an end to corruption. The ruling clique has lost its legitimacy and authority to rule the people and has had to resort to brutal suppression and deception to maintain its control.

It would be wrong for us to give up hope and let the spirit of Tiananmen or the martyrs and their dreams die in vain. We have a responsibility to keep that spirit alive and to do everything within our power to restore the people's movement and put an end to totalitarianism.

The following are some immediate tasks we can do to further the cause of students in China:

1. Urge President Bush to act more forcefully in mobilizing all resources at his disposal to stop further bloodshed and repression in China. While we do not wish to see the US interfere with other nations' internal affairs, we think President Bush has, so far, acted passively throughout the escalation of violence and repression; he has failed to set priorities for dealing with the Deng/Yang/Li regime.

For example, when martial law was declared on May 20, Bush should have informed the Chinese ambassador of the US government's concerns and should have, acting jointly with our allies, put political and economic pressure on the regime.

After the massacre, he could have sought the support of the United Nations, International Red Cross and other international organizations to help in stopping the spread of repression and to offer humanitarian aid to the victims of violence.

Moreover, the singular diplomatic focus placed on the case of dissident Fang Lizhi, who has been given sanctuary at the US embassy in Beijing, is a disservice to the cause of the democracy movement and to the courageous millions who do not enjoy the celebrity status of Fang, but who are

nonetheless being persecuted for their views.

2. We must mobilize the Chinese American community to put pressure on the Deng/Yang/Li regime and to join with all 30 million Chinese who live outside of China, including those in Hong Kong and Taiwan, in registering our outrage. The regime may ignore protests from foreign governments, but it cannot afford to disregard protests from the overseas Chinese who are still regarded with a strong sense of kinship. Twice before in this century overseas Chinese have provided substantial moral, political and financial support for China's struggles for self-determination. We must unite in this historic mission to support the patriotic Chinese struggling to achieve their democratic objectives.

3. In supporting the human rights and legitimate demands of the Chinese students, we must be aware of divisive forces whose aims are incompatible with those represented at Tiananmen Square. Their participation in the support movement can be disruptive and counterproductive to the cause of democracy in China.

As in all mass movements, there are often opportunists who want to exploit the situation for their own hidden ends. We must be wary of this. Solidarity with the democracy movement and the protection of the rights of its participants should be the sole agenda of any group interested in lending their support.

4. We must pool our resources in helping Chinese students and other Chinese nationals now stranded in the US get assistance in extending their visas or in handling any other legal, social service or employment needs they may have. President Bush's intention to grant favorable review to all visa extension requests by Chinese foreign students has not been translated into clearcut guidelines and procedures. Students and others will most likely need our help in the meantime. If humanitarian funds now being raised in support of the movement in China are rejected by the Chinese authorities, some of the monies should be allocated for assisting the more than 40,000 Chinese nationals who may not want to or fear a return to China at this time.

We have been both inspired and outraged by what has transpired in China these past eight weeks. We've seen the best and the brightest of China rise up and ask for a voice in reforming the government. Conversely, we have also seen the ugly and evil side of China, represented by the current regime of old men refusing to share power. But this is not a time to be pessimistic. We must choose to take a stand and to take the appropriate actions to keep the movement alive.

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NEWS

Chinese Diplomats Weigh Asylum Options

By VALERIE CHOW BUSH

SAN FRANCISCO - Five days after their startling announcement that they would request political asylum from the US because they could not lie about the bloody massacre in Tiananmen Square, two officials from the Chinese Consulate in SF remain in hiding and, according to immigration officials, have not decided whether or not to defect.

And, in what may be the start of a wave of defections by Chinese diplomats, two other officials left the Chinese Consulate last week and have not had contact with the San Francisco mission since their departure, a consular spokesman confirmed Wednesday.

According to sources with the *Chronicle* and *Examiner*, the pair, a husband and wife from the consulate's education section, may also be considering defection.

Consular spokesman Wang Shaohua strongly denied that the couple was planning to seek political asylum and said they just "wanted to stay with friends for a short while."

He repeatedly said "I don't know" when pressed for details about the couple's whereabouts and future plans. He refused to release the diplomats' names.

The *Chronicle* reported Wednesday that the the pair's tour of duty was over and they were expected to return to Beijing this week. According to the newspaper's sources, the couple may be reluctant to return to Beijing because the government expects them to report on the student's activities in the Bay Area.

Cultural Affairs Vice Consul Zhou Limin, 26, and Overseas Affairs officer Zhang Limin, 25, shocked and delighted the crowd of over 5000 demonstrators at Saturday night's candlelight vigil when they announced their intention to seek political asylum from the United States.

"We are deprived the right to mourn," said Zhou. "We are supposed to tell you that no one was injured or killed. Why? Because we

are diplomats. But we won't fake it here. Before we are diplomats, we are Chinese and we are human beings. We are not Li Peng's slaves!" he said as the audience wildly applauded their approval.

Zhang, who like Zhou is from Beijing and is unmarried, referred to the June 4 military crackdown against unarmed students as a "holocaust," and declared: "This is a time to encourage the students and all people who love freedom. From now on I stand with you in your fight for freedom and democracy."

The two low-ranking consular officials, reportedly under FBI protection in an undis-

ing to defect.

"Political asylum is absolutely a last resort," said Lau.

"[The diplomats and students] ought to exhaust all their other options before choosing to defect."

According to Lau, seeking political asylum is often extremely difficult to get because it places the burden of proof on the applicant to provide documentation of government persecution, and is therefore subject to the "political whirlwind" surrounding China-US relations. "Only about 5 out of one hundred get [asylum]," Lau said.



(L-R) Zhou Limin and Zhang Limin. (Photo by Frederic Brown)

closed location, met Monday for several hours with the FBI and the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

As reported by the *Associated Press*, INS regional director David Ilchert said the two men have not yet formally requested political asylum and told INS officials that they wanted to study their options further.

Edward Lau, an immigration attorney who handled the celebrated defection case of Chinese tennis player Hu Na, said he strongly agrees with the diplomats' decision to carefully weigh their legal options before decid-

Lau, is application for an adjustment of status. According to Lau, under Section 13 of the Act of 1957 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, government and consular officials can file for an adjustment of their status allowing them to apply for permanent residency in the US.

The intent of the provision was to allow foreign officials to remain in the US in the event of government takeovers and political upheaval in their homeland. The government allows for 50 such applications from government officials each year, Lau said.

Consular spokesman Wang said he had no further comments to make about the possible defection of consulate officials. He said he stood by the consul general's written statement last week calling the defections "utterly unjustifiable."

Wang also vehemently denied allegations that consular staff are preparing to blacklist students active in the pro-democracy movement in the Bay Area.

"I can assure you, we have no blacklists," Wang said.

Forced Repatriation Of Southeast Asian Refugees Denounced

By JEANNIE LOOK

SAN FRANCISCO - A group of protesters demanding an end to the forced repatriation of Southeast Asian refugees in Hong Kong to Vietnam marched through downtown San Francisco Friday, June 9, and held a 5-day hunger strike in front of the British consulate. Similar protests were held in Hong Kong, Canada, Australia and Switzerland.

About 50 members of the Committee Against Forced Repatriation of Indochinese Refugees carrying signs and banners, chanted, "boat people have suffered enough!" and "forced repatriation is cruel!"

The event organizer, Toan Truong, said the march and hunger strike was organized to draw attention to the plight of refugees. "What is happening to refugees has not been adequately discussed in the media," said Truong, a recent medical school graduate.

According to a news release from the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office in San Francisco, Vietnamese refugees have begun flooding into Hong Kong double and even triple previous daily arrivals. During April, 2,918 arrived, a 111 percent increase over the same month last year.

Last year, 18,325 Southeast Asian refugees fled to Hong Kong, increasing the total number of refugees in the crown colony to 25,725 — as many as there are in Thailand.

Hong Kong's Governor Sir David Wilson reaffirmed the British government's policy to send back to Vietnam all those screened out as non-refugees. According to British government reports, a group of 75 "who volunteered" was returned to Vietnam on March 2 and a second group of 68 was returned on May 12.

But the group protesting the repatriation say the refugees face punishment and even death upon their return.

"The voluntary repatriation of 1,500 Vietnamese from Guam in 1975 resulted in interrogation and imprisonment in 'reeducation' camps of all the returnees," according to a statement issued by the group. "The repatriation of Laotian asylum seekers has resulted in punishment, jailing and deaths.

"Screening and repatriation cannot be a workable policy because the returnees cannot be guaranteed safety and humane treatment in their home countries regardless of any agreements signed by their governments.

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Were The Chinese Soldiers Drugged Before The Massacre?

By YU BIN

No Chinese can explain the savagery of the 27th Army — why the army of the people turned into the killers of the people, leaving thousands dead. This was not only unexpected, but a total departure from the traditional behavior of an army which owed its success to its relationship with the people.

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As a member of the 38th Army for five years, I remember how every new recruit was taught the analogy of the fish and the water. While the fish (the army) cannot exist without the water (the people), the water can exist without the fish. This was not only a moral principle but something the soldiers in my unit put into practice every day.

In fact, we spent more time helping the local people than in our own military training. In this regard, China's army may have been the least professionalized military force in the world.

Once when the division's hospital removed a 120-pound tumor from a peasant woman, we all donated blood. When local people learned of the operation's success, hundreds came for medical help. We even evacuated part of our barracks to accommodate them. Later, thousands came from all over the country just for medical treatment.

More important, from the earliest days of the revolution, the army followed a strict code of behavior known as the "Three Main Rules of Discipline" — to obey orders, take not even a single needle or piece of thread,

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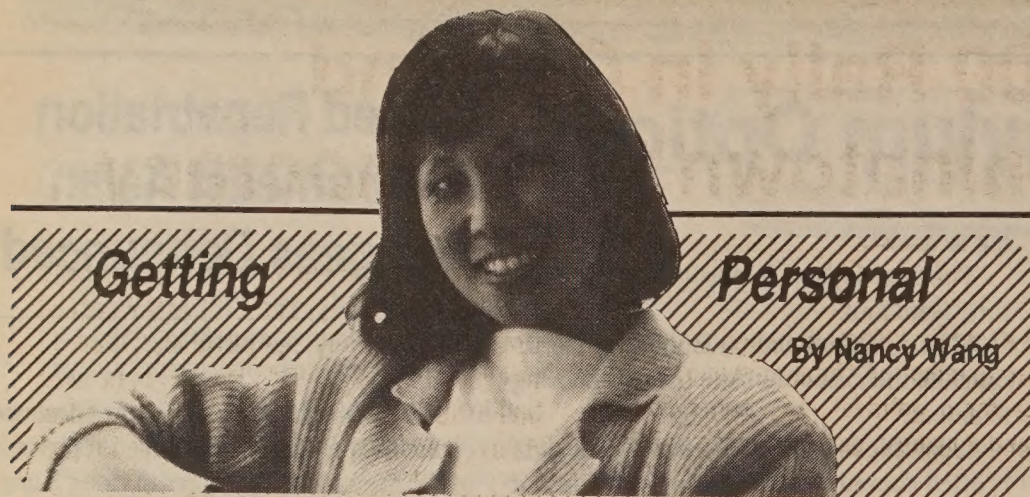
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INSIGHTS



Readers Feel 'Out of Control'

Dear readers:

Many of you have contacted me and told me you've been feeling very upset about the recent upheaval in China. Like crying at the oddest moments or feeling immobilized at times.

I'd like to address these feelings in this week's column.

Nancy

So many of us are moved by the courage

change in China.

Here are two suggestions: Know that when an incident occurs that makes you cry, tears from the past are also released. It seems as if they come from nowhere, but believe me, they come from somewhere in your life. And it's good to release them. When we don't release those tears, we often get a cold or the flu, or we trip and hurt ourselves in order to give us a "legitimate" reason to cry or take

rights of all human beings. Use it to make your life meaningful. At least, use it to cleanse your own past wounds and acknowledge your humanity. If you do just the latter, it will be a great service to yourself and probably to the people around you who love you and want nothing more than for you to take good care of yourself.

We Chinese Americans are often portrayed as "inscrutable." To many people, this word means we don't show our feelings. But somehow, it has also come to imply "no feelings."

For me, seeing PRC nationals both here and abroad speaking and crying to reporters, expressing themselves spontaneously about the events in China, is a scene I am not used to seeing here in America. This sight has been a relief to me because it says: It is all right to be human.

As Chinese Americans, it is not always easy to express our feelings. For so many generations, we have no doubt had to pull ourselves inward and focus all our energy toward surviving as immigrants. There was neither the time, nor the energy for such as crying. Nor was it safe, to let the 'white ghosts' know how we were feeling or what we were thinking. They could use it against us, we thought, and our foothold in this country was too fragile. We had to protect ourselves.

in our lives today.

Many people are afraid of expressing their feelings. Such an expression is interpreted as being weak and vulnerable. We fear if we are open, we will get hurt -- that if we let our feelings out, we might die. Some withhold their feelings because they don't want to hurt others. If you look at our Chinese American cultural legacy, you can see the link between expressing your feelings and "dying of shame." And we each have our own individual legacies as well.

I've never seen anyone die or become weakened by expressing tears or anger or laughter. It is not our feelings that will kill or threaten our survival. Some people may turn away from you or think badly of you, but you will not die. Chances are someone may reach out to you, and others may be relieved to see you are human. In fact withholding your feelings is what will threaten your survival; not the feelings themselves.

Expressing feelings can result in lots of wonderful things. Feelings can become an opportunity for solving problems, getting support, getting to know someone better, relieving stress and experiencing love. Ah, what a relief to be human! Give yourself the gift of being human. Give yourself permission to express your feelings and to feel okay about doing so.

Write to me about any of your concerns

Many of us are crying. You are not alone, and you are doing something absolutely natural and normal given the circumstances.

Given where we are today in this country, one could argue that our stoicism has worked successfully to establish our lasting and presence here since the Gold Rush. The important issue to look at now is the role stoicism plays

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Portsmouth Square demonstrator taking time out to feel her grief and weariness. (Photo by Frederic Brown)

and the tragedy of the people in China. Many of us are crying. It is an absolutely natural and normal response given the circumstances. Human beings are emotional, feeling animals. We feel sadness when we are caught up in sad events. We feel anger in aggravating circumstances. We feel joy when the situation we're in is full of pleasure.

Though we are so far away, China is our motherland and the Chinese people are also our family. Their tragedy is our tragedy. I believe we as human beings are born with a powerful love for freedom and justice. When these rights are threatened for any one of us, the rest of us feel the threat as well. Chinese and non-Chinese alike are very moved and very upset at the events of late.

Two things to pay attention to during those teary-eyed moments:

- 1) times that you didn't let yourself cry at past sad events; and
- 2) your feelings of helplessness at effecting

care of ourselves.

Let yourself take all the time you need in a very private and safe place like your own room, with or without someone you trust, and let yourself cry. Stop holding it in. Years and years of holding back tears is painful. I know it feels painful to cry and feel the sadness, but afterwards, you really will feel much better. It's all right to cry.

Secondly, what can we do? Some people are marching; some are writing to the Chinese consulate, the American embassy in China, their Congressmen or the United Nations to intervene. Some will turn their emotional involvement into a commitment to work in the Democratic club or a nonprofit organization in Chinatown, or any organization that works for freedom and justice for all people. It allows us to connect with other people who share the same feelings. What is being moved so deeply in all of us is our love and demand for justice and freedom and the

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Thousands Turnout for Saturday Night Vigil

By VALERIE CHOW BUSH

SAN FRANCISCO - One week after the bloody military crackdown on the pro-democracy movement in China, over 5000 Chinese Americans gathered in front of City Hall Saturday evening to mourn the death of

the City Hall plaza was a sea of flickering lights.

Former mayor Dianne Feinstein drew enthusiastic applause and shouts of approval when she declared, her voice rising to a crescendo: "I say to Deng Xiaoping: 'If you kill

"I say to Deng Xiaoping: 'If you kill the young people of China, you kill the future of China!'"

the countless numbers of students and civilians gunned down in Tiananmen Square.

The candlelight vigil capped a week of demonstrations, fundraising events, and intensive community organizing in San Francisco as a bewildered and deeply saddened Chinese American community tried to come to grips with the dramatic turn of events in China.

The demonstrators, many wearing black armbands and carrying candles and flashlights, quietly filled the Civic Center Plaza, as a mournful funeral dirge was piped into the square. Over twenty wreaths had been propped up against the speaker's stand constructed on the steps of City Hall.

Standing under a brightly illuminated sign which read, "Mourn Our Freedom Martyrs," speaker after speaker — ministers, legislators, politicians and travelers who had just returned from Beijing — condemned the Chinese government's killing of unarmed students and civilians.

"The authorities in Beijing drew themselves outside the circle of civilized behavior when they killed their own children," said Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi in an impassioned speech. Pelosi urged the audience to give generously to local groups providing relief to the families of the slain students and added, "The students' spirit gives us strength and we will never forget them."

As darkness fell, the demonstrators lit their candles and turned on their flashlights; soon

the young people of China, you kill the future of China!"

The highpoint of the memorial vigil was the surprise announcement by two low-ranking consular officials that they had decided to seek political asylum from the United States because they could not lie about the massacre of the students (See EW story, page 3). The stunned audience stood and cheered as vigil organizers, photographers and reporters swarmed around the two men pressing them with questions.

As the crowd listened to a guitarist sing "Blowing in the Wind," 18-year-old Lowell High School student Daryl Dao reflected on the tumultuous events in China. "I didn't understand the logic behind the massacre. I thought the news was exaggerated at first, but when I found out what was going on I felt really bad," he said. Dao, who is a first-generation Chinese American, said he and fellow students "talk about China a lot in the hallways" and they plan to organize a small march to the consulate in support of the student movement.

After an evening of speeches, prayers, and songs, the peaceful and orderly crowd moved quickly out of the plaza, distinguishing their candles. As they left, vigil moderator Angela Chang said: "[The students] did not die in vain. As we leave here tonight, our candles may not continue to burn, but the torch of the Goddess of Democracy will continue to shine."

Michigan Chinese Hold Concert

ROCHESTER, MI - The Association of Chinese Americans (ACA) and the Cathay Melodiers co-sponsored a *Matinee of Chinese Melodies*, a fundraising concert, on June 4 at 2:30 pm.

The purpose of the concert, held at Varner Hall on the Oakland University campus, was to raise funds for ACA's Mabel Peng Memorial Scholarship Fund. ACA, a community-based service organization in the Detroit area, has a goal of raising \$10,000 by the end of 1989.

Ms. Peng was a former resident of Utica who died of cancer in 1987. She had dedicated her life to helping young people reach for their goals.

Ms. Peng's husband, Steven Deng, has established a matching fund scholarship for Chinese American high school gradu-

ates who need financial assistance for college. For information about the fund, call Litton Lee at (313) 626-7307.

The concert featured Chinese vocal and instrumental music performed by the 40 members of the Cathay Melodiers. A few folk songs were also presented by the Chinese Youth String Quartet.

In memory of the students who were killed on Tiananmen Square, the song, "Missing My Old Country," was added to the program. Many of those who attended the concert signed a petition in support of the students, expressing their opposition to the crackdown on dissidents in China.

In order to support the fight against violence, the chorus is willing to travel for more performances. For information, call David Chang at (313) 641-8264.

300 Rally In Oakland Chinatown for Democracy

By SERENA CHEN

OAKLAND - Three hundred strong, the largest number of Chinese Americans to gather for a political rally and march in Oakland's history, came together last Sun-

ation," they picked up iron bars and rocks to "defend themselves. The 27th Army opened fire and in 20 minutes, almost all the people in the square were killed. The soldiers used bulldozers to push the bodies into big piles. Army helicopters poured gasoline on the



Marchers gather at Lincoln Recreation Center in Oakland Chinatown Sunday for rally. (Photo by Henry Woon)

day at noon to honor the Chinese students massacred in Beijing's Tiananmen Square.

Architect Y.H. Lee, representing the Oakland Consolidated Chinese Association which organized the rally, told the solemn crowd to "Keep the flame alive."

He announced the formation of the "One-Dollar Movement," encouraging people to donate at least one dollar a week to support the students. Collection boxes will be placed at 8th & Webster streets in Chinatown every weekend for that purpose.

Lee urged the people to let their elected officials know of their outrage over the events in China and to act to "help form world opinion" in condemning "the brutal killing of students and to stop further bloodshed of the true freedom fighters of the world."

"We, as Chinese Americans, together with the 30 million overseas Chinese around the world, are charged with the responsibility of keeping the correct version of the history of China. We have no idea how long the current regime... will stay in power. It is the duty of every single one of us to tell our children, our grandchildren, and their grandchildren if that's what it takes, what really happened in Tiananmen Square on the morning of June 4, 1989."

Later on, the crowd stood stunned, when a statement, allegedly written by a Chinese Communist Party official who witnessed the June 4 Tiananmen massacre, was read. In it, the official, who had requested anonymity, claimed that he saw soldiers shooting and bayonetting men, women and children that morning after only five minutes was given to the 15,000 protesters to vacate the square.

Moreover, according to the statement, only one path, two meters wide was opened up. All other exits had been blocked by tanks.

The statement said that when the students and workers "realized the desperate situ-

bodies and set them on fire. There were people still alive and moving, but they too were burned with the dead. I am sure this was pre-planned and this was carried out in a well-organized and very systematic way."

According to the statement, some doctors and nurses attending to the wounded were killed by soldiers for helping the injured civilians before the soldiers or for refusing to hand over the wounded to the soldiers.

Organizers of the rally claimed that the official came to the Bay Area on government business shortly after the massacre and told his story to sympathetic friends. The official has since returned to China.

The rally ended in a march through Oakland Chinatown at 2 pm, accompanied by a 10-ft wooden cut-out of the "Goddess of Democracy," made at architect Ed Sue's offices.

As testimony to the growing political power of the estimated 25,000 Chinese Americans in Oakland, five out of the eight city council members attended the rally, Frank Ogawa, Wilson Riles, Jr., Mary Moore, Leo Bazile, and Aleta Cannon.

Newly appointed Alameda County Supervisor Warren Widener who represents Chinatown told the crowd that he was presenting a resolution June 20 to the board in support of the Chinese students.

Attendees at the rally represented nearly all segments of Chinese Americans, from first generation immigrants to third and fourth generation young people, from those holding signs identifying themselves as democratic socialists to supporters of the conservative Nationalist government in Taiwan.

The Oakland Consolidated Chinese Association is comprised of family associations, tongs, and community service organizations like the Wa Sung Service Club.

For information 451-4400.

NEWS

Democracy Fundraiser Nets \$20,000

By LINDA JUE

SAN FRANCISCO - In another moving display of intense concern and grief over the June 4 massacre at Tiananmen Square, more than 500 people attended an impromptu banquet last Friday night at the Empress of China restaurant in San Francisco's Chinatown.

The dinner, organized in four days by the Foundation for Chinese Democracy—recently formed to provide financial support to the student protesters in China and the US—brought in approximately \$20,000 from a wide variety of individuals and organizations within the Chinese American community.

"Originally, we had only reserved 30 tables [each table seats 10]," said the foundation's Jeannie Lowe, "but we ended up with 54. So many calls came in that we were almost overwhelmed by it all."

Representatives Barbara Boxer and Nancy Pelosi also attended the dinner, expressing their commitment to work with the Chinese American community in eliciting a stronger response from President Bush to the students' murders and to figure out viable ways to distribute funds and resources to the students in China as well as help Chinese nationals in this country so they won't be forced to return home for financial reasons.

Noted China scholar Orville Schell, who returned from that country just before the crackdown of martial law, gave the keynote address. Appearing deeply affected by the events of that week, Schell offered his own observations of the political mood in China in recent months.

He described a wide sense of elation and optimism among the students in the early days of the protest—a mood that contrasted

heavily with the previous "cynicism, despair, selfishness and anger at the government" for the declining standards of living and the pervading corruption over the past few years.

"People were finally speaking and doing the unthinkable [voicing their objections] and it was making them feel proud," he said. "The movement in China is perhaps one of the 20th century's most extraordinary political movements."

Schell told how packing string had been used to demarcate the boundaries around Tiananmen Square, behind which the demonstrators were to picket.

"The entire crowd was held back by mere packing string," he said. "It was certainly one of the most well-organized and orderly political protests I've ever seen in my life."

Schell expressed his fears that many more will die over the next several weeks as the government carries out its searches.

He urged overseas Chinese to keep a spotlight on China and to figure out steps to get people out of the country as quickly as possible.

"People must get together and act now, while the iron is still hot and the moment still poignant," he said.

"The current Chinese government's days are numbered, and China's new sense of political purpose will grow out of the active participation of the overseas Chinese."

The proceeds from the dinner will be held in a trust fund, to be administered by the San Francisco Foundation, until a method is found to insure that the students -- and not the government -- receive the money.

For information, call the Foundation for Chinese Democracy at (415) 362-6613.

Marin Mourns

By JEANNIE LOOK

SAN RAFAEL - In a scene reminiscent of the civil rights rallies of the 60s, about 150 people — young and old, mothers and fathers, strangers and acquaintances — gathered on a grassy hillside at the Marin Civic Center Sunday afternoon to mourn those who died at Beijing's Tiananmen Square. Some cried; some held hands and sang together.

"We are deeply saddened by the tragic actions in China," event organizer Jean Chan of the Asian American Alliance of Marin told the group. "We hope to send a message to our families and friends in China. We want you to know we share your pain, we honor your outrage, we mourn those fallen."

Many mourners wore black arm bands and held small signs with the Chinese characters for "freedom," "democracy," and "peace" written on them. One large sign had pictures of Tiananmen Square and read, "Stop killing students. They are not criminals. They are your future."

As the group sang Bob Dylan's "Blowing in the Wind," a gust of wind whooshed through the trees surrounding the hillside. Some young children diligently holding signs which read "freedom," "democracy," and "peace" lost their balance momentarily and inadvertently toppled a flower wreath. They chuckled mischievously and clumsily propped the wreath up again.

Near the podium set up in front of a small duck pond was a large white paper flower wreath with the Chinese character for "mourning" written in the center and a black banner that read, "May Their Dreams Be Not In Vain." Participants were asked to write messages on small index cards and attach them to the wreath with yellow ribbons. "Let freedom ring in China," one card read.

"China you are not alone. The rest of the world mourns with you," another one read. According to event organizers, the wreath will be presented to the Chinese Consulate in San Francisco this week.

The group that organized the event, the Asian American Alliance of Marin, is an informal issues committee of the Marin Chinese Cultural Group. Chan said the committee called a special meeting soon after hearing of the Beijing massacre. "At first we didn't know what we could do," she said. "We decided to organize this memorial so the community can get together and mourn together."

Marin high school student Karna Hughes gave the eulogy. The brutality and suppression of truth in China will not be tolerated or forgotten, she said. "The youth [of the world] will carry on your message of freedom and democracy."

Toward the end of the ceremony, mourners held hands and sang "We Shall Overcome." One stanza, however, was added to the song of freedom and unity:

China will be free someday.

China will be free someday.

Deep in my heart I do believe China will be free someday.

Even after the short memorial service officially ended, many mourners lingered at the hillside a few moments longer to burn incense and write messages to put on the wreath. A clay pot filled with sand which held three sticks of burning incense at the beginning of the ceremony grew into a large flame as people one by one placed a lit incense sticks in the pot.

"Like the wind blowing here today, let's hope that the winds of change will bring peace and freedom to the people of China," said Sandy Lum.

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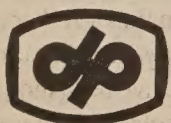
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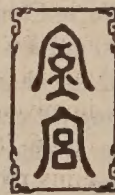
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CHINESE WORD-A-DAY

SEASHELL

The character "seashell" looks like a shell with two tentacles or, if you choose to look at it from the other end, leg muscles.

"Seashell pillars" (贝柱) are scallops. Dried scallops are abbreviated as "dried seashells" (干贝). Mother-of-pearl is "conch shell" (蚌壳). Embroidery worked in a shell pattern is called "seashell embroidery" (贝纹).

Seashells are precious in ancient times: they were treated as gems and used as currency called (贝货). Even today, the compounds (宝贝) and (贝宝) mean precious or treasures. Parents refer to their children as "little treasures" (小宝贝).

The traditional value of seashells had such a profound influence in China that the radical for seashell (贝) is embodied in many characters, such as "wealth" (财), "to buy" (买), "to sell" (卖), "to borrow" (借), "goods" (货), "to give" (赠) and "expensive" (贵). On the negative side, "to owe" (欠), "to lose" (欠), "to bribe" (贿), "greedy" (贪), "to gamble" (赌), and "to counterfeit" (假) also have "seashell" as part of the character.



Mandarin
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As you can see, although "seashells" make up terms such as precious and gems, they also make up characters such as "thief" (贼) and "loot" (劫).

By GORDON LEW



FILM

Summer Vacation: 1999 — When Boys Are Girls

By AUDIE BOCK

SAN FRANCISCO - *Summer Vacation: 1999* is an exquisite little film that affords a disturbing insight into the concerns of Japanese youth. Made by Susuke Kanedo, a refugee from the soft-core porno mills of the Nikkatsu Studios, it explores adolescent sexuality in a totally demure fashion. But if the setting (a rich boys' school in the country) and the attire (neckties, V-neck sweaters, Bermuda shorts and socks with garters) are conservative in the extreme, the emotions are timeless and the construction of the story strictly avant-garde.

The opening scene shows a boy shutting down his computer in a classically appointed dormitory room late at night. The only indication of future time is the gutted appearance of the electronic equipment — computers and stereos have no housings. The boy pushes a letter under the door of another room and proceeds through the imposing doors of the old Western-style building into the woods. At the edge of a cliff he jumps in slow motion to his death in the waters of a pristine lake below.

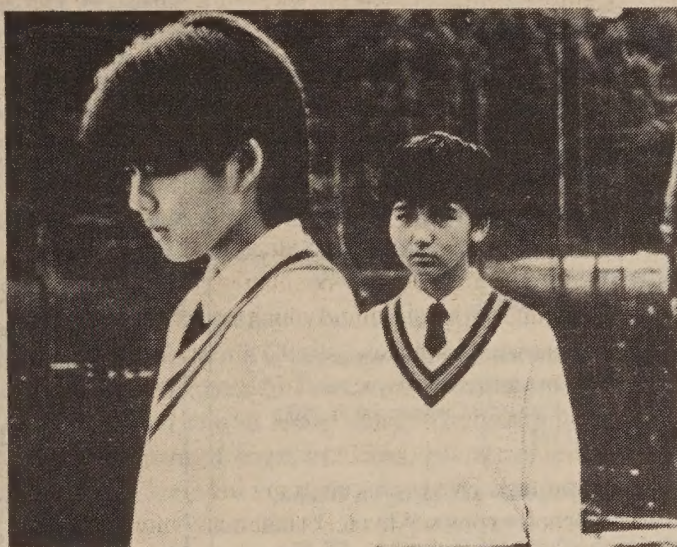
Stylistic references abound, even in this mute sequence. The concentric ripples on the lake evoke the suicide of the sister in Kenji Mizoguchi's *Sansho the Bailiff*, an act of protest against oppression. The bourgeois atmosphere tinged with the fantastic, and the

fact that the boy is played by a girl, evoke the ethos of French novelist — filmmaker Jean

Cocteau. Later a closeup of a caterpillar devouring a leaf recalls the lusty cinematic technique of Japan's Shohei Imamura, and the closing scene of the film lines up three boys kneeling side by side in a choreographic touch that is an unmistakable homage to Japan's renowned pro-family conservative of the cinema, Yashujiro Ozu. But the world and message of *Summer Vacation: 1999* evoke Japan's greatest dramatist/poet/filmmaker of the 1960s — Shuji Terayama. This is a world without adults, in particular a world without parents, and a world in which death expresses not only the highest possible commitment in love, but a refusal to join the corrupt world of adults.

After the apparent suicide of the boy/girl Yu, three other boy/girl schoolmates left alone at school for the summer try to cope with their feelings. Yu was in love with the unresponsive Kuzuhiko, who shares a room with the senior Naoto, a secret admirer. A younger boy, Norio, accuses Kazuhiko of murdering Yu with his coldness. In the midst

of these arguments a new boy named Kaoru arrives, looking exactly like the vanished Yu.



Scene from Summer Vacation: 1999

But Kaoru wins everyone over with a personality that is forthright and self-confident, as

opposed to Yu's brooding and self-pity. Kazuhiko falls in love with him only to be called upon to commit double suicide with him to prove his love. The evolution of loves and jealousies among the four boys invokes Hermann Hesse's *Damien*, stating that rather than hatching out into the world of adults, they will do better to seal the purity of their childhood love with death.

The screenplay by Terayama's former collaborator Michiyo Kishida and the evocative photography by Kenji Takama aid in the creation of an enigmatic celebration of the confusion and contagion of adolescent emotions. The acting by the four girls is unaffected yet, because they are girls, endstanding. The overall effect is accomplished yet cold, and thankfully so, for to contemplate the behavior the film seems to encourage raises questions about the high adolescent suicide rate in Japan. *Summer Vacation: 1999* shows in the SF International Lesbian and Gay Film Festival on June 19 at the Castro Theatre at 9 pm.

Soldiers Drugged

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and turn in everything captured. Under the "Eight Points of Attention," soldiers were instructed to speak politely; pay fairly for what we bought; return everything we borrowed; pay for anything we damaged; never hit or swear at people; never damage crops; take no liberties with women; never ill treat captives.

These rules were applied to all military units across the country, and were a major reason why the communists prevailed in the past. They were able to offer people not only ideals, but a disciplined and effective means to attain them.

Even after China's military became increasingly professionalized in the late 1970s, it still carried on this tradition of serving the people. Military service enjoyed relatively high prestige. Although this image was tarnished somewhat by the army's extensive involvement in the Cultural Revolution (1966-76), few questioned that it remained an army rooted in the people, of whom 80 percent are peasants.

The Beijing massacre has changed that image forever. Yet while the 27th Army has become an army of assassins, the 38th Army has steadfastly refused to use force against the people of Beijing. The contrast between the two armies sheds some light on why the 27th Army turned into a killing machine.

The 27th Army, unlike the 38th, has long had an intimate relationship with the family of China's current head of state Yang Shangkun — the man presumed to have carried out the massacre. The Yang family virtually controls the machinery of martial law: Yang's nephew is commander of the 27th Army; his brother is chief of the Army's political department; and his son-in-law is chief of the General Staff.

On the other hand, the 27th Army — based some 130 miles south of Beijing — has had little personal contact with the city itself. This

is in sharp contrast to the 38th Army, with one base only 30 miles south, which has had a deep and deep involvement with the political life of the capital.

In the late 1960s, a large number of Beijing youth — including myself — joined the 38th, and those who stayed kept in constant touch with family and friends in the capital. Some were children of top officials in the government.

During the Cultural Revolution, at least two divisions were assigned to maintain order in Beijing, going to various government agencies to help factions talk out their differences instead of fighting. This experience deepened the 38th Army's political sensitivity.

While such factors help explain why the two armies have behaved so differently in recent weeks, one must look elsewhere to understand why the soldiers of the 27th turned into beasts. One widely reported rumor is that many of the troops who first entered the city had been drugged with stimulants. Doctors who treated some of the wounded soldiers reported that they were highly agitated and required unusually heavy doses of tranquilizers to calm them down. Blood tests confirmed the presence of drugs. Soldiers themselves explained that just before entering the city they had received injections as a precaution against what officers described as a raging epidemic caused by the counter-revolutionaries.

At first I tended to discount this theory. But in the end I can find no other rational explanation for the savage behavior of soldiers who, like myself, have been indoctrinated to believe that their sole mission is to serve the people.

PNS commentator Yu Bin, a Ph. D. candidate in political science at Stanford University, served for five years in China's 38th Army.

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NOW - JUNE 30

North East Medical Services **cholesterol screening**, (M-F) 8:30 am - 5 pm, (Sat.) 9 am - 4 pm, 1520 Stockton St., SF. \$5. (391-9686)

NOW - JULY 1

Long Nguyen featured at Miller/Brown Gallery, 355 Hayes St., SF. (861-2026)

NOW - AUG 1

Chinese Brush Painting, taught by Lam-Po Leong, 7 - 10 pm, UC Berkeley, 2305 Tolman Hall. \$130. (751-7636)

NOW - AUG 6

Against Nature: Japanese Art in the Eighties, exhibition of contemporary Japanese visual art, SF Museum of Modern Art, 401 Van Ness Ave., SF. (863-8800)

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Wu Guanzhong, A Contemporary Chinese Artist, Chinese Culture Center, 750 Kearny St., SF. (986-1822)

JUNE 16 - 25

13th San Francisco International Lesbian and Gay Film Festival, featuring *Summer Vacation: 1999 Johanna D'Arc of Mongolia*, *Long Weekend O'Despair*, Castro Theatre, 429 Castro Street, and the Roxie Cinema, 3117 16th Street. (861-5245)

Friday, JUNE 16

Asian American Theater Company Masque Ball, honors Marc Hayashi, Amy Hill, Sharon Iwai and Kelvin Han Yee, 8 pm, Veteran's Building, Herbst Theater, 401 Van Ness Ave., SF. \$15/general, \$40 - \$500/donors. (751-2600)

Chinese Historical Society meeting, w/ former

WHAT WHEN WHERE

SF Postmaster General Lim P. Lee, 7 pm, Chinese Culture Ctr., 750 Kearny St., SF. (568-2847)

Saturday, JUNE 17

Hui Pa Hula presents A Dream of Islands, features dances from Hawaii, Tahiti, New Zealand and Samoa, w/ music by the Kapalakiko Hawaiian Band, 8 pm, Lone Mountain Auditorium, USF, 2800 Turk St., SF. (489-7583)

Asian American National Trivia Championship, benefits Nihonmachi Legal Outreach, 7 pm, Japanese Cultural and Comm Ctr., 1840 Sutter St., SF. (567-6255)

The Chinese Historical Society of America open house ribbon cutting ceremony at new location, noon - 4 pm, 650 Commercial St., SF. E. Chann (391-1188)

World-Class competition in Kung Fu Wushu, national lion dance competition, 9:30 am - 8 pm, Riordan High School, 175 Phelan Ave., SF. \$6 - \$14. (752-0791) or (668-8328)

Beijing Massacre in Memorial Concert, noon - 4 pm, Golden Gate Park Music Concourse, features Rock Against Racism, Bay Area Blues Society, Oakland Philharmonic Symphony. Free. Zexiang Li (642-3248)

Monday, JUNE 19

Undergraduate guitar recital, Phat Nguyen, 8 pm, Hellman Hall, SF Conservatory of Music, 1201 Ortega St., SF. (564-8086)

The Japan Society's A Proposal for US-Japanese Comprehensive Cooperation, 7 pm, Pacific Gas & Electric Bldg., conference rm. B,

245 Market St., SF. (986-4383)

Friday, JUNE 23

Chinatown YMCA benefit dance, 8:30 pm - 1 am, War Memorial Performance Arts Center, 401 Van Ness Ave., SF. \$30 - \$50. (982-4412)

ASIAN, Inc. Annual Dinner, 6 - 9 pm, Ferry Plaza, The Embarcadero, SF. \$150/person, \$1,500-\$2,500/sponsor table. RSVP by June 20. (928-5910)

Stanford Conference on Legalization/IRCA, 8 am - 4

pm, Stanford Law School, Stanford Univ. (556-2868/2870)

Saturday, JUNE 24

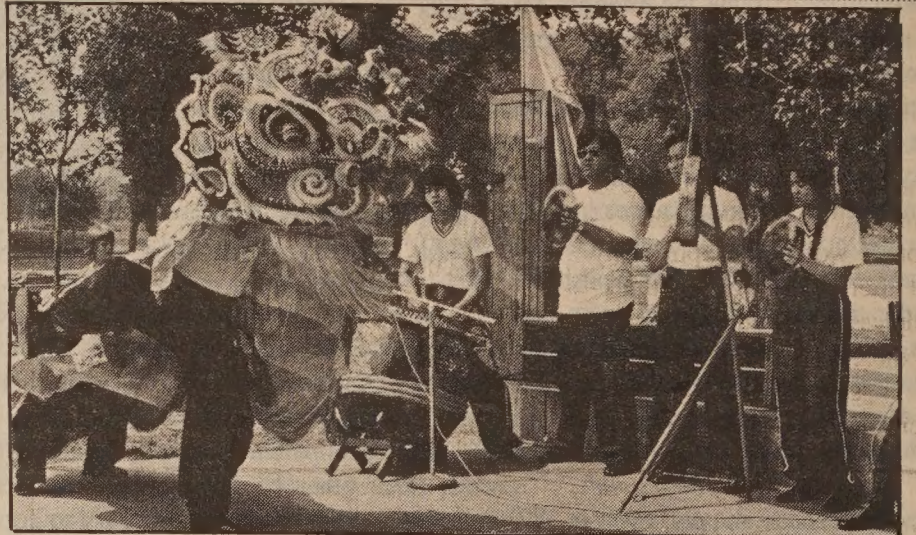
Chinatown Youth Center orientation meeting for Asians in Motion, free summer performing arts workshops for teens, 12 - 2 pm, Chinatown Youth Center, 1693 Polk St., SF. (775-2636)

Asian Pacific American Issues of the 1990s, 8 am - 2 pm, Hyatt Regency, Oakland. Free. Luncheon/\$8. Venetia (893-8979)

JUNE 22 - 25

44th Annual AMVETS State Convention, w/ delegates from SF's Golden Gate Post No. 34, Gateway Holiday Inn.

THE BIG EVENT



Saturday, JUNE 17

1989 International Chinese Martial Arts Championship & Masters Exhibition at Riordan High School, 175 Phelan Ave., SF: 9:30 am Lion Dance Competition, 10:30 am - 6 pm Forms and Sparring, 8 pm Finals & Masters Exhibitions. Tickets: \$6/daytime only; \$12/evening only; \$14/day & evening. (415) 752-0791/668-8328.

Repatriation

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"Screening and repatriation is nothing more than an excuse for the world to wash its hands of the refugee crisis."

The group is demanding that the Southeast Asian community be given a voice at the International Conference on Refugees being held this week in Geneva.

The group is also asking that countries throughout the world take a greater role in assisting and resettling Southeast Asian asylum seekers and that the Orderly Departure Program include Cambodians and Laotians.

Hong Kong government officials have stated that if the Geneva conference did not find a solution to the refugee problem, then harsher measures would have to be adopted to stem the continual influx.

Graham Burton, a spokesman for the Brit-

ish consulate, said he is aware of the group's protest and accepted some information from the protesters.

Burton said the British government "has great sympathy for the refugees." But people need to understand the plight of the Hong Kong government which has to deal with the up to 1,000 refugees who land on the shores of the tiny island each day.

The right of people to choose where they want to live must be balanced by the right of governments to determine their immigration policies, Burton said.

In a speech Tuesday, June 13, at the Geneva conference on Southeast Asian refugees, Britain's Foreign Secretary Sir Geoffrey Howe said, "The scale of the problem is now such that it poses a serious threat to Hong Kong's stability — and all this at a time when events in China itself are, for quite other reasons, causing the gravest anxiety in

Hong Kong. Local patience is exhausted. Hong Kong is now at the end of its tether... Hong Kong has borne much of the burden of sheltering genuine refugees but we have no right to ask Hong Kong, and other places of first asylum to harbor people who are not refugees, who do not qualify for resettlement and who therefore risk being an indefinite burden on Hong Kong."

Although the Friday, June 9 march was planned prior to the massacre in Beijing's Tiananmen Square, some of the downtown lunchtime crowd confused the protesters with those who support the students in China.

When Tonette Monday, a 20-year-old from New York, learned what the marchers' concerns were, she said, "That's wrong! If someone told me I had to go back to New York and I might be killed, I'd be afraid. They're right to protest."

The marchers stopped at Sansome Street, near Market Street where the British consu-

late office is located and held a brief press conference.

Chuong Nguyen, a 23-year-old UC Berkeley student who led the marchers in chants, said, "I believe that the people of the free world understand the need for human rights, and I would like to see it for my people."

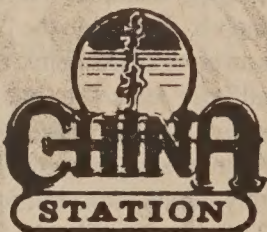
Representatives from State Sen. John Burton's and Congresswoman Barbara Boxer's offices were present. Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi appeared to express her objection to repatriation of refugees and called on the US to increase the number of refugees allowed into the US and assist countries now handling large refugee populations.

The United States should not say the refugees should be able to leave Vietnam, but then not allow them to enter the US, she said.

About 30 protesters participated in the 5-day hunger strike which ended Wednesday, June 14.

THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN GOOD AND GREAT

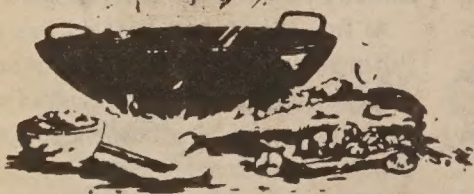
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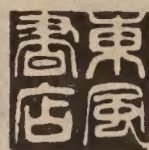


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Reflections On Creating A Movement For Democracy

By SUZIE LEE

My grandmother once told me that a good tea pot always has a little hole in its lid. When I asked her why, she said, "Because a hole can let the steam vent, otherwise if the steam has no way to get out, sooner or later, the pot will explode."

I always use this story to explain to my kids the importance of venting their emotions and of not getting bogged down with frustrations.

Ever since the Beijing massacre, I have been overwhelmed with frustration because I don't have enough words to express my emotions. Night after night I wake up thinking about the helpless faces of the most intelligent youth in China. I've had a hard time explaining my feelings to my kids because I don't even understand them myself. Writing

"How are we going to make signs and posters? Our hands aren't steady enough to hold paint brushes any more."

has offered me one way to find the words I need. And I hope that through my writing, I can provide them with some understanding of what many of my peers are feeling during these turbulent times in China.

Monday night, June 5, I met a group of physics graduate students at Berkeley. They told me that they had been bookworms all their lives but wanted to do something, yet, they didn't know what to do. I suggested a "black arm band" day. The next day a few of them came to my office, and we went out to buy 10 yards of black cotton fabric. With the help of an all-volunteer staff, we cut out nearly a thousand arm bands. They decided to take off a couple of hours from work to pass them out at BART stations during Wednesday's morning rush hour. We still had our doubts. It seemed to be such a small gesture that would have little impact.

After the Wednesday rush hour, the student volunteers stopped by to thank me. "We are very grateful for your ideas, Mrs. Lee. We could never have found out how much people really care. The arm bands ran out so fast, we had to cut them into little squares so people could pin them on their shirts as a symbol of support. It made us feel so good, at least we have done something."

At another student meeting, I heard that over a thousand FAX numbers had been collected to fight the government's news blockage and propaganda campaign. A suggestion was made to encourage each student to write ten letters per day and to fax personal messages in addition to newspaper clips. Right away, I tried to think of ways people could help by donating fax machine paper. The students have four fax machines now but they could use more machines and supplies.

When I went to a meeting of Chinatown's "older generation," I felt the same anger, frustra-

tion and helplessness in the air. A rally was mentioned. Someone said, "We need to make the quiet people aware of what is going on. We have to raise their voices and consciousness. What can we do? How can we have a rally? How are we going to make signs and posters? Our hands aren't steady enough to hold paint brushes any more."

A few of us who met at last Sunday's march in SF put our heads together. "If this is what you think we should do, let our young blood help you," someone suggested. Dr. and Mrs. Szeto, Ms. Hui, my husband Yui Hay, and I then formed a seed group to organize the first rally and march in Oakland Chinatown. We thought, "We have only three days, how are we going to pull it off?" And we wondered how we could get a city permit in just two days. However crazy it sounded, we were all very determined. Saturday, the 11th, would be the first "seventh day" (*tau chee*) for the memorial gesture, a Chinese tradition to honor the dead. Oh my God, I thought, we all

still have to work on Thursday and Friday. But I thought of my grandmother's words, "Just do the best you can, no one can ask you for more." I thought, a common little woman like me, joins a demonstration for the first time in her life and then organizes a rally a week later. This is absolutely crazy!

Posters were designed and sent to the printer. A volunteer student came back and told us that the printer wanted to help by charging only two dollars to print 500 copies. We started to get phone calls asking if we needed any assistance. Word got to City Hall. Councilwoman Mary Moore told the City Manager that our group was determined to carry out the event whether we had a permit or not. In fact, we did consult with a lawyer friend who told us that we didn't need a permit if we just emphasized that we were having a rally. The march was pending special approval from the City's Office. But not only did we get the City Manager's blessing, we also picked up a Proclamation signed by the Mayor of Oakland designating June 11 as a day of mourning and support for the students in China.

Starting at 7 am Saturday, we opened the door to welcome everyone who wanted to participate: students from Thailand and Malaysia, Kelvin Ching and his artist friends with colored inks and paint brushes, and people donating white sheets and pillow cases. One volunteer apologized for having already donated her white sheets to the Salvation Army long ago. "This is what I have just torn off from my comforter cover," she said, "It may be too wrinkled to use."

A famous calligrapher from Hong Kong, Mr. Lui, rode BART from Hayward to help write the Chinese signs. He was in his 70s. A

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Chinese Children's Chorus Hits The Road

By JEANNIE LOOK

SAN FRANCISCO - The golden voices of Bay Area children will light up concert halls in Hong Kong, Singapore and Taiwan this summer, from June 29 to July 23.

The annual concert tour of the Chinese Children's Chorus will include two performances in Taiwan, four in Singapore and two in Hong Kong. The group had planned stops in China, but because of recent events there, those concerts have been canceled.

The chorus was started in 1984 by Richard Lin, a 64-year-old professor of church music at the Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary. Lin said when he first settled in the Bay Area in 1983, "One of the things I wanted to do is to start a chorus for Chinese children."

He said children's voices are "very beautiful. The earlier we can develop children's musicianship, the more they will appreciate music in the future."

The chorus is not connected with any church or sponsor groups, Lin noted. "We are open to anybody who wants to sing." Lin said he and his staff teach western and traditional Chinese methods of singing.

Sometimes German and Latin songs are included in the repertoire, he said.

Lin studied with renown bass baritone Y.K. Sze at the Shanghai Conservatory of Music and attended the National Conservatory of Music in Paris. He is a graduate of the Southern Theological Seminary and received a doctorate of Musical Arts from the University of Missouri.

The chorus is open to children, ages six to 16. There are currently 56 members, divided into a preparatory group and an advanced performing group. The young singers practice every Saturday, from 2 - 4:30 pm at the Golden Gate Christian Reform Church at 18th Ave. The more advanced performing group also practices on Wednesdays. The cost for lessons is \$32 per month.

The Chinese Children's Chorus will perform home more concert in San Francisco on Sunday June 25, 8 pm, at the First Congregational Church at Post and Mason streets before they head off on their tour of Asia. Tickets are \$5. Children can attend for free. For information, call 389-1402, or 668-1345.

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CHINA NEWS

Chronology of Modern Chinese Student Protest Movements

By HIM MARK LAI

The following are some major events in the history of student movements in China during the 20th century before the establishment of the PRC:

May 4, 1919

On May 4, 3,000 Peking students led a demonstration protesting the Allies' decision at the Paris Peace Conference to award Japan all German privileges and concessions in the Shantung Peninsula. Police arrested more than 30. The students then called for a student strike. By early June, demonstrations and strikes also spread to other major cities. This nationwide protest forced the Chinese government to desist from signing the Versailles Treaty and also to remove 3 pro-Japanese officials.

May 30, 1925

On May 30, Shanghai students demonstrated in support of strikers at Japanese-owned textile mills in Shanghai and Tsingtao. Many were arrested by police in Shanghai's International Settlement. When the demonstrators demanded their release the police opened fire, killing 13. Scores were arrested. Students, workers and shopkeepers then launched a month long general strike. The protests and clashes also spread to other major cities. On June 19, a general strike was called in Hong Kong. On June 23, British and French troops opened fire on demonstrators supporting the Hong Kong strike as they passed the foreign concession at Shameen in Canton, killing 52 and wounding more than 170.

Dec. 9 and 16, 1935

On Dec. 9, more than 6000 Peking students defying a government ban demonstrated against the establishment of a pro-Japanese local government in North China and demanded that the central government stop the Chinese civil war. Using swords, clubs and water hoses, police injured more than a hundred and arrested more than 30. The schools then went on strike. On Dec. 16, as the pro-Japanese government was about to be inaugurated, 15,000 braved the police to demonstrate again. Almost 400 were injured and 20 arrested; however the inauguration ceremony was postponed. The movement spread to other major cities, where demonstrations and clashes also occurred.

May 20, 1947

On May 17, Peking and Tientsin students called strikes to protest widespread hunger (the standard of living for students and intellectuals had deteriorated seriously due to runaway inflation), civil war and political repression.

On May 20, 7000 students marched in protest in Peking starting from Peking University. The same day, in Nanking, 6000 demonstrators from 16 schools were set upon by police with clubs, iron bars, whips and water hoses. More than a hundred were injured, 19 severely; 28 were arrested. Similar clashes occurred in other cities. Three were killed in Wuhan. The government arrested thousands of students in an attempt to suppress the demonstrations, but the movement spread to more than 60 cities and lasted nearly a month. It marked the beginning of the end for the Nationalist government, which had lost the confidence of the intellectuals.

Communists played active roles in all these key events in modern Chinese history. Mao Zedong and Zhou Enlai participated in the May 4 Movement in Hunan and Tientsin respectively. Liu Shaoqi organized worker strikes in Shanghai after the May 30 shooting. Many of the current aging communist bureaucrats circles were once prominent planners and leaders in the demonstrations against the Nationalist regime of the thirties and forties.

It should be noted that the June 3 massacre at Tiananmen Square far exceeds any of the above confrontations both in the numbers involved and in the numbers killed and injured; nor had the army been called in to use armored carriers and tanks against unarmed civilians on any previous occasion. The only comparable event was the Feb. 28, 1947 affair when people in Taiwan arose in rebellion against the KMT government and were crushed by troops. Approximately 20,000 were killed and even more arrested. The principal difference was that some of the Taiwanese rebels were armed while the multitude at Tiananmen were unarmed civilians demonstrating peacefully. Communists had long used the 1947 event as propaganda against the KMT government, but now the shoe seems to be on the other foot. The issues in 1947? Corruption and political repression.

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This Week in the Chinese Press

Compiled by SONG CHEN

China's government-controlled media reported the arrests of at least 600 protesters at Tiananmen Square, while foreign media reported 1,000 people arrested. Blacklists have been made and arrest warrants were issued for the student leaders as well as for the well known pro-democracy dissident Fang Lizhi. In Beijing, many intellectuals call each other frequently to make sure their friends are safe.

Government media also deny that any shootings occurred in the early hours of June 4, although a reporter from a Chinese government news agency had previously reported seeing bullet marks on the People's Heroes Monument standing in the square.

According to the Chinese newspapers in Hong Kong and the United States, the general commander of Chinese students, Chai Ling, is still alive and has made a recording about what she experienced in Tiananmen Square on June 4. Other leaders, like Chai Ling's husband, Feng Congde, and Li Lu have also escaped death. But Wu Er Kai Xi and other leaders are either missing, or have been arrested.

A famous female writer in China, Dai Qing, withdrew from the Chinese Communist Party because of the crackdown on the students. She is the first intellectual in Beijing who has dared to openly disagree with the government after the massacre. She is also a representative to the National Women's Congress and a reporter for *Guangming Daily*, a leading newspaper in China.

Two newspapers in Hong Kong, *Wen Wei Po* and *Ta-Kung-Pao*, long considered the mouthpieces of the Chinese Communist Party, published solemn editorials condemning the massacre in Beijing and calling for Li Peng and Yang Shangkun to stand trial.

International Relief

Amnesty International

Amnesty International, a world-wide human rights organization, has condemned the deliberate killings of unarmed protesters and residents by troops in Beijing as a gross violation of human rights. On June 4, it appealed to the Chinese government to take all possible measures to prevent any further killings and to issue immediate instructions to all troops and security forces not to resort to the use of lethal force against peaceful protesters.

The group is currently working on collecting eyewitness accounts and identifying those who have been killed or have disappeared, according to Kimberly Durkin who works at the Western Region office of Amnesty International.

The group has already collected the names of 50 people in China who are reported to have been taken into custody.

Those concerned about the arrests of people suspected of active participation in the recent demonstrations in China are asked to obtain an "urgent action" bulletin from Amnesty.

The bulletin lists the names of those who have been arrested and the names and addresses of the people to write to.

Donations can be made to Amnesty International, but Durkin said funds that are received by the group cannot be earmarked for a specific issue.

Interested individuals are encouraged to donate their time. Volunteers are needed to assist in mass mailings and

conduct research concerning the events in China. Eyewitnesses and China experts are also needed. To obtain an urgent action bulletin on China or to volunteer, call 441-3733.

(East West will print the names of those on the urgent action bulletins in future issues. - Ed.)

International Red Cross

The Chinese Red Cross has not officially requested any assistance, but the American Red Cross is prepared to accept donations for the victims of the massacre at Beijing's Tiananmen Square, said Jo Hazelett of the organization's Golden Gate Chapter in San Francisco.

"The information from China is that the Chinese Red Cross has been involved in humanitarian aid and in caring for the injured," Hazelett said. There is no immediate need for blood donations, she said.

Organization protocol prohibits local chapters of the Red Cross from soliciting funds from the public unless there is an official request, but Hazelett said all donations which come in for China will be directed to the Chinese Red Cross.

Those wishing to donate funds for relief efforts in Beijing should note on their checks, "China Relief." Donations will be accepted at the American Red Cross, 1550 Sutter St., SF, CA 94109. For information, call 776-1500.

CHINA NEWS

EVENTS

Saturday, JUNE 17

Beijing Massacre in Memorial Concert, featuring Rock Against Racism (local rock musicians), Bay Area Blues Society, and Oakland Philharmonic, sponsored by the UC Berkeley Coordinating Committee for China, 12 - 4 pm, Music Concourse (bandshell), Golden Gate Park, SF. Free. Zexiang Li (848-3398) or (642-3248)

Tuesday, JUNE 20

Youth forum on China student movement for all teenagers concerned about China, Oakland, time and location TBA. Suzie Lee (451-4400)

GROUPS

Bay Area Artists Pro-Democracy Association
P.O. Box 6865
San Francisco, CA 94101

Bay Area art student group working to construct and erect a bronze replica of the Goddess of Democracy statue at Portsmouth Square in SF.

Berkeley Coordinating Committee for China (BCCC)
5337 College Ave., Box 331
Oakland, CA 94618
635-2515 (messages)

643-6335

Umbrella group of Bay Area students, some members from Ai Hua Society and the Chinese Scholar and Political Science International Relations (CSPSIR); will be collecting messages on 3x5 cards to send to students in China via fax machine.

Foundation for Chinese Democracy
1118 Grant Avenue, Suite 101
San Francisco, CA 94133
362-6613

Non-profit organization set up to raise funds to support educational programs and activities that promote and advance democracy and the rights of all Chinese.

June 4th Foundation
P. O. Box 8872
Stanford, CA 94309
494-8399

Non-profit group established to raise funds for humanitarian aid for the Beijing massacre survivors and the victims' families and to educate people about what is happening in China. Members are mostly Stanford University students.

Support Democracy in China Hotline
P.O. Box 32973
San Jose, CA 95152-2973
(408) 534-1868

A communications network which announces events, networks with the commu-

nity, works with Stanford students to compile and translate articles from Chinese and English language press for dissemination in China.

MISC.

The newly formed **Art Academy Chinese Society** has designed and printed up 10,000 posters, bumper stickers and buttons commemorating the students and protestors of Tiananmen Square. The large poster shows a picture of the Goddess of Democracy surrounded by students in Tiananmen Square. A line below the picture, highlighted in red, reads, "The Unkillable Dream." The black and white bumper stickers and buttons call on people to remember Tiananmen.

Group member Janus Cheng said about 20 Chinese art students at the Academy of Art College in San Francisco formed the group and organized the printing as a way to deal with what happened in Beijing. "Everybody was so sad and angry. We are a small group — not like Stanford or UC, but we want to do something for China. So we contribute our time and talent." The posters, bumper stickers and buttons are being distributed by members and various pro-democracy groups. Donations are welcomed, but not required. So far the society has recouped its printing costs. Any extra money will go to the International Red Cross, said Cheng.

Their main goal is to make sure people don't forget about what happened in China and those who died, she said. The group hopes to do a second printing and expand distribution

to other cities.

The society is also launching a second project under the auspices of another group called the **Bay Area Artists Pro-Democracy Association**. The artists want to construct and erect a permanent bronze Goddess of Democracy statue in Portsmouth Square "as tall as the one in Beijing," said Cheng. "They didn't just want a temporary statue," she said of the student protesters at Tiananmen Square. "They wanted to build a permanent statue. We want to finish the project for them. We hope that when things get better in China we can send this one to the students as a gift." The address for contributions to the statue fund is P.O. Box 6865, SF, CA 94101. Checks should be made out to the Bay Area Artists Pro-Democracy Association. Call *East West* (781-3195) for information on where to get the posters, bumper stickers and buttons.

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The Li Po Society of America is looking for sayings, handbills, speeches, etc. for an anthology: *Voices from Tiananmen Square*. Please send material to Li Po Society of America, 1024 Powell St., San Francisco, CA 94108-1546.

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The Oakland Consolidated Chinese Association has initiated a **continuous fundraising** effort for Chinese students stranded in the US, and, if possible, for the Beijing massacre survivors and the victims' families. Every weekend there will be a donation box at 8th and Webster streets in Oakland. People are asked to donate \$1 a week.

Civil Rights

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they have to sue right away; whereas they decided white men can pretty much sue whenever they want. What [the Supreme Court] is saying is, 'we'll give people of color and women only one shot.'"

The June 5 Supreme Court ruling that plaintiffs, not employers, have the burden of proving whether statistical evidence shows that employment policies have a discriminatory impact on women and racial minorities, reverses an 18-year-old landmark decision that had declared illegal seemingly unbiased employment policies, such as tests used to screen applicants which ultimately put minorities at a disadvantage.

Prior to the 5-4 decision, plaintiffs could prove discrimination by pointing out the disparity between the number of white employees and nonwhite employees. It would then be up to the employer to explain why the differences existed.

The Court's ruling now shifts the burden of proof to the plaintiff, making it harder for minorities to prove that an employer's policies discriminate.

The ruling involves a 15-year-old discrimination suit against salmon canneries in Alaska. The plaintiffs are a group of Eskimo and Asian cannery workers who alleged that they had been channeled into lower-paid, unskilled jobs while the more desirable positions went to white workers.

Justice Byron White wrote in the majority opinion that it is not sufficient to show only that "at the bottom line, there is a racial

imbalance in the work force." Specific employment practices, he said, had to be shown to be the cause of specific disparities.

Hayashi said the ruling will have "a lot of ramifications for minorities who want to sue for discrimination" in the work place.

"If you look at it pessimistically, it's almost like saying good-bye to Title VII," he said. Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibits discrimination in employment on the basis of race, sex, religion and national origin.

The ruling, said Hayashi "will make it so difficult to sue for discrimination, it won't be cost-effective to file suits anymore in terms of

the risk of losing."

White's opinion was signed by Chief Justice William Rehnquist and Justices Sandra Day O'Connor, Anthony Kennedy and Antonin Scalia.

Justices William Brennan and Thurgood Marshall joined the dissenting opinions of Justices John Paul Stevens and Harry Blackmun.

In his dissenting opinion, Stevens wrote, "I cannot join this latest sojourn to judicial activism . . . This additional proof requirement is unwarranted . . . Ordinary principles of fairness require that Title VII actions be tried like any lawsuit. The changes the majority

makes today, tipping the scales in favor of employers, are not faithful to those principles."

Despite the gloomy news, Hayashi said he is optimistic about the future of civil rights in the US.

"All this means is that minorities have to become more politically active," he said. "We can't just rely on the courts to protect our fundamental rights."

Hayashi said civil rights activists are now turning to Congress to enact legislation which will "blunt the effects of the Supreme Court decisions."

(Jeannie Look contributed to this story.)

Reflections

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third-generation Chinese American calling himself a "paper son" wrote the English version on the same signs with Yui Hay's help translating. Kids came by after Chinese school to help draw more signs. By lunch hour, restaurants delivered boxes of food for nearly 20 volunteers.

The signs, we thought, will set the tone and echo our feelings. They will help identify who we are. Our signs said: "Kids for Democracy," "Parents for Freedom," "Without Freedom We Might As Well Be Dead" along with other signs from family associations and community organizations. "We should display all these messages while we work so that

we can keep our spirits up," someone said.

As we finalized Yui Hay's speech Sunday morning, a Berkeley professor's wife came by to help finish the Chinese portion. A neighbor lent us his big van to carry the nearly 60 signs to Lincoln Square. By the time I passed out the last copies of my press release, I felt relieved that we had pulled it off.

The Contra Costa Chinese School donated a beautiful wreath for the rally after they read about my tissue paper wreath story (*E/W* 6/7). I didn't have enough words in my vocabulary to express my appreciation. My gratitude and belief in grassroots work is so deeply planted in my heart, I no longer feel like a

little ineffectual housewife.

I thought about the note my child Lonlone had written to me last Friday: "Mom, after reading your article, I now understand that you have more important things to do than making dinners for us."

I also thought about how my other child, Yen Yen, was drawing "Bears for Democracy" pictures on napkins to kill time while I was making a speech in Chinese at my college alumni dinner.

Grandma's "Monkey see Monkey do" story rang in my ears and I realized that I had passed my values on to my kids without any lectures.

SO-CAL NEWS



Absorbing The News

I feel so sad. I feel immobilized as I sit watching TV, trying to absorb the news of the unbelievable massacre. As the events in China evolve, here in southern California life goes on as usual. Politicians and community leaders issue caring words and the community rallies to express their condemnations against a government that seems to have gone berserk.

Not everyone here has felt helpless; some have taken action. **LA councilman Joel Wach** recently urged the city council to send a letter voicing the city's outrage over the recent events in China to **President Bush**. **Councilman Mike Woo** called on the city of Los Angeles to use all its diplomatic and trade ties with China to urge an end to the violence and to call on Angelenos to contribute to the American Red Cross Chinese Relief Fund, which is accepting contributions earmarked for China (2700 Wilshire Blvd., LA, CA 90057). **LA councilman Richard Alatorre** joined with Chinese community leaders in calling for blood donations to the Red Cross (213/739-5290 and 714/835-5381). The board of supervisor adjourned its weekly meeting in memory of slain student victims in Beijing and ordered the American flag flying over county buildings lowered in tribute.

At noon, June 7, a memorial service was held for the students who died in the Beijing massacre. Under overcast skies, services were held in LA Chinatown plaza directly behind **Sun Ya-sen's** statue. Present were **LA Mayor Tom Bradley** who ordered City Hall flags lowered to half-staff. There were about 200 people present, including councilmembers **Woo** and **Gloria Molina**, Supervisor **Michael Antonovich**, Congressman **Chan Jong Park** of South Korea, director of the North American Coordinating Affairs **Stephen Chan**, Buddhist monks, community leaders, and Chinese students from several southland universities.

On the stage, there were white sheets with pictures showing scenes of the Tiananmen massacre. There were several funeral wreaths, a table with bowls of fruit, two tall candlesticks with lit candles and an incense bowl. Speeches were made. Dignitaries, wearing boutonnieres of white carnations with blue ribbons and black armbands, bowed ceremoniously. Buddhist monks chanted. Chinese movie actress **Lee Ming Chen** and student **Chang Quing Cao** spoke with anger and sadness over the events in China. People cried as horrible massacre stories were told. One elderly lady tore her Chinese passport to pieces as she cried with anger and denounced the leaders of China. The red PRC flag was burned. After the services, an-

other gathering of demonstrators went to the Chinese consulate on Shatto Place.

In other news, **Rose Ochi** lost her bid for a seat on the Community College Board, Office No. 2, in a close race, 52 percent to 48 percent. She lost in a run-off election to **Pat Owens**, a teacher for 19 years. Owens, who went into the race as the underdog received 80,725 to Ochi's 74,469.

Judge Ron S.W. Lew, the first judge of Chinese heritage appointed as a United States District judge was one of nine fathers chosen to receive the "Father of the Year Award" by the West Coast Father's Day Council at the Bonaventure Hotel, June 6. Broadcaster **Mario Machado** directed questions to the fathers about their role in bringing up the children. Most of the fathers said love, respect, and communication with and for each other were the fibers that held the family fabric together. In regard to discipline, Lew remarked, "One thing for sure, I don't discipline my children like I do the people in court. It is very difficult to raise children in this day and age."

Discipline is something probably similar as in days past as it is today. I think that children with exposures that they have nowadays, the parents must be very careful in disciplining their children for fear of being too restrictive, yet we have to foster the growth of the children."

Each father received a beautiful golden statuette of a father and a child — much like the Academy Awards' Oscar. The luncheon fundraiser benefitted the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation. The foundation was presented with a \$70,000 check for their research project to cure diabetes. It is estimated that 11 million Americans suffer from this disease which is increasing at a rate of 11 percent each year.

Los Angeles Chinatown's 129-year-old French Hospital, the oldest hospital in Los Angeles, will continue to serve the community's health needs. The 155-bed hospital is due to be closed this month because of financial woes. A group of 47 investors, which includes 32 physicians and others mainly from the Chinatown community and a few from Monterey Park, formed a partnership called Pacific Alliance Medical Center, Ltd. (PAMC). On Tuesday, June 6, the group made the first payment of \$759,000 toward a \$4.2 million purchase of the hospital. Heading the group is **S.Y. Wong**, chief of staff of the hospital and now president of PAMC. Other directors, all physicians, are **Carl Moy**

(secretary), **Bassett Brown** (chief financial officer), **C.S. Li**, and **Stephen Kwan**.

There has been mixed reaction to the hospital's non-profit status changing to a for-profit organization. "There has been a misconception [about] for-profits," said **Chris-**

large number of indigent alien patients and Medi-Cal patients who are predominantly Chinese. Approximately \$10,000 a day is lost on Medi-Cal patients. "So the difference between the not-for-profit and for-profit is that this group may be a little more commit-



Memorial for Chinese Students in L.A. Chinatown (photo by Alvina Lew)

topher Wheeler, a friend of the hospital and an Irvine-based consultant assisting the group. "The doctors can now have a vote and a share and be responsible for everything that goes on in the hospital." The hospital rate for patients has not risen and the hospital is considered one of the most affordable in the Los Angeles area. The hospital still services a

ted to running a better hospital," added Wheeler.

By Oct. 2, two payments of \$350,000 each are needed for completion of escrow. PAMC also has an option, over the next six years, to purchase at a cost of \$10 million the two-acre property site of the hospital, which the French Society owns.

L A EVENTS

NOW - JUNE 25

East West Players' Vacancy, by Lillian Hara and Dorie Rush Taylor (based on short story by Diane Johnson), starring Beulah Quo, Diane Brewster, Fri. & Sat. (8 pm), Sun. (2 pm), 4424 Santa Monica Blvd., (213/660-0366)

NOW - JULY 2

Focus on Tibet, photographs by Julie Masterson, (recept., 6/10) 1 - 4:30 pm, Pacific Asia Museum exhibits, 46 N. Los Robles Ave., Pasadena. (818/449-2742)

NOW - JULY 16

Great Leap's Talk Story — Chapter 2, featuring Nobuko Miyamoto, Jose DeVega, Kenny Eiland, Deborah Nishimura, Alberto Isaac & Young Ae Park. Los Angeles Theatre Center, 514 S. Spring St. \$20/\$17. (213/627-5599)

NOW - JULY 31

The Cultural Foundation sponsors unveiling of international design competition at ARTSPARK LA, **The Park of the 21st Century**, 21800 Oxnard, Suite 110, Woodland Hills. (818/716-2787)

NOW - AUG 4

Carol Lye's photographs, **Strangers in a Strange Land**, M-Sat. (1 - 4 pm), Norris Film Gallery, 5504 West Crestridge Rd., at Crenshaw Blvd., Rancho Palos Art Center.

NOW - NOV 5

Pacific Asia Museum presents **Southeast Asian Ceramics** from the collection of Margot & Hans Ries, 46 N. Los Robles Ave., Pasadena. (818/449-2742)

Saturday, JUNE 17

Indian Arts Festival: dance performance, sitar recital, henna hand painting, 1:30 - 4 pm, Pacific Asia Museum, 46 N. Los Robles Ave., Pasadena. Free. (818/449-2742)

Tuesday, JUNE 20

The community to re-elect Sup. Ed Edleman fundraiser, 6:30 pm, Century Plaza Hotel. \$500.

(213/277-6934)

Tuesday, JUNE 20

The Asian Business League of Southern California presents **Success in the Asian Pacific Marketplace**, 1 pm at the Pacific Bell Executive conference center auditorium, 1010 Wilshire Blvd., First floor, LA, 90017. Members \$25/\$30 at door; non-members \$35/\$40 at door. Call Bill Imada at (213) 645-9094.

Thursday, JUNE 22

Asian Business League and Circle Gallery's summer open house, 6:30 - 9:30 pm, 329 N. Beverly Dr., Beverly Hills. \$15/non-members. (213/473-2148)

Saturday, JUNE 24

KCET and LA County Human Relations Commission sponsors community forum, **The Challenge of Ethnic Change in LA County by the Year 2000**, KCET, 4401 Sunset Blvd. Free. RSVP (213/974-7606)

Monday, JUNE 26

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Wednesday, JUNE 28

Screening of Academy Award nominated film, **Who Killed Vincent Chin?**, benefit for Visual Communications, filmmakers Christine Choy and Renee Tajima will speak after showing, 7:30 pm, Japan America Theatre, 244 S. San Pedro. M. Kwok (213/828-6911)

JUNE 28 - AUG 2

UCLA Extension's Doing Business in the Pacific Basin, 6:30 - 9:30 pm, 167 Dodd Hall, UCLA campus. \$145. (213/825-7031)

OBITUARIES

Helen Soo Hoo Hing, 88



SAN FRANCISCO - Following a brief illness, Helen Soo Hoo Hing passed away on June 6, 1989. She was born in March of 1901 in Scranton, Pennsylvania, but went to China with her mother at the age of 3. Her father was a laundryman and part-time Methodist minister. She returned to the US in 1924, three years after her marriage to Ong Chun Hing.

Mrs. Hing and her late husband settled in Arizona and were active in the Chinese community and known for their philanthropy. Her husband was founder of the Chinese Benevolent Association in Arizona.

She operated her own grocery business, working 18 hours a day, seven days a week, and at the same time, raised ten children and managed the home. She pumped gasoline, butchered the meat, ordered and stocked the groceries and waited on the customers. It was not uncommon to see her working with one of her small children strapped to her back.

Through their sacrifices, she and her husband managed to send all ten of their children through college. The Hings also financed the college educations of numerous friends and

customers. Their philosophy of helping others has extended to their children and grandchildren, many of whom have carried on the tradition by serving their communities in various capacities.

Mrs. Hing moved to San Francisco in 1981 after she retired from her business at the age of 80. In 1982, she was chosen to receive an award for Outstanding Chinese American Mother by the Chinese Women of America 1848-1982 Research Project of the Chinese Culture Foundation of San Francisco. She was cited for her exemplary life and contributions to the Chinese American community.

She is survived by her children: Ally, Lilly, Minnie, Holy, Robert, Mary, Joyce, Grace, Bill and John; 38 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Saturday, June 17, 1989, at 5 pm; funeral services are Sunday, June 18, at 2 pm. Both are being held at the Green Street Mortuary in San Francisco.

Emma Ping Lum (1910 -1989)

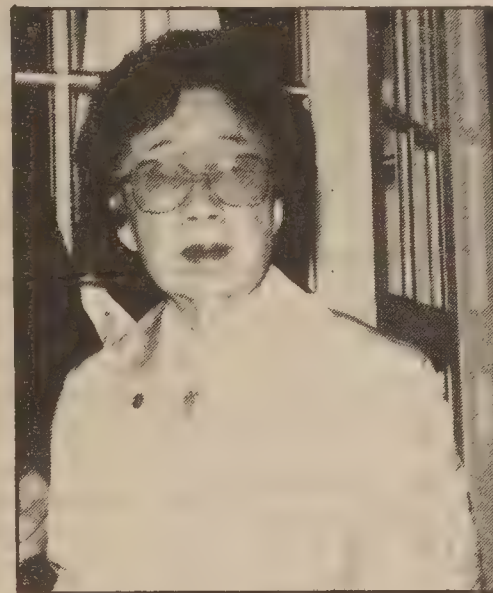
By ALVINA LEW

SAN FRANCISCO - Emma P. Lum (Lum Ping Ping), the first woman of Chinese ancestry to pass the bar in California and to argue cases before the US Supreme Court, passed away May 29 at the age of 78 in San Francisco's Moffitt Hospital. Ms. Lum was born in San Francisco on August 30, 1910, the fifth daughter of Chinese American pioneer civil rights activist Walter U. Lum.

She received her BA from SF State College. In the 1930s, during the depression, she worked for the FERA (Federal Economic Recovery Act) as a social worker for the Chinese community. Following the depression,

she went to Canton, China to teach English.

After returning to the US to continue her education, she earned a masters degree in



education from Columbia University in New York and then a law degree from the Hastings College of Law.

During her lifetime, Emma Lum was a private person; her policy was to help people without asking for recognition. A model citizen, she helped her community whenever she could. Like her father, Walter Uriah Lum, the founder of the Chinese American Citizens Alliance and the *Chinese Times* Newspaper, Emma Lum firmly believed in honesty, justice and rendering service to the community. For her father, sisters and brothers, nieces and nephews, she was always there when help was needed.

With her friend Constance "Connie" Lum, Emma traveled all over the world, making friends wherever she went. Connie (aka Soo Chow Lai) was a famous star of the Chinese opera and in movies made in China. As I recall, in the 30s, Emma was Connie's theatrical agent. Their friendship grew throughout

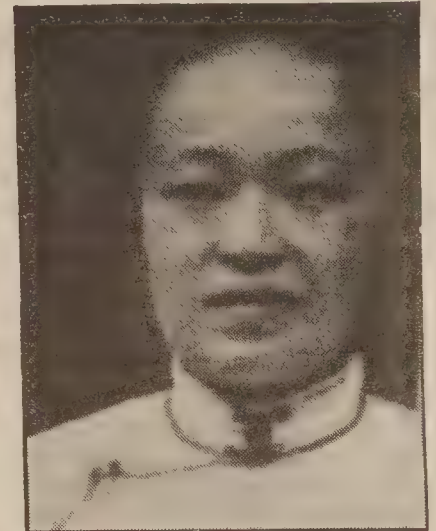
the years and, as the years went by, they became inseparable.

She is home, God love her. I miss her very much.

One of seven children of Walter U. Lum, Emma Lum is survived by her sisters Mabel Lew [my mother], Alice Wu and Lily Chan; many nieces and nephews; grandnieces and grandnephews; and great-grandnieces and great-grandnephews.

Funeral services were held June 12 at the Cathay (*Wah Sun*) Mortuary in San Francisco.

Grace Wong Lai, 101



SAN FRANCISCO - Grace Wong Lai passed away Sunday, June 4, 1989 at the age 101. Ms. Lai worked for the Chinese Telephone Exchange for 42 years, starting in 1909 at the age of 21. At that time everyone working there was related to at least one other worker.

In 1949, when the office was closed, she transferred to 430 Bush St. until she retired on July 31, 1952.

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絕食書

北京大學絕食團

(編者按)中國學生瀝在北京天安門的血，染紅了我們海外華僑每個人的心。本報最近收到一份轉由北京天安門傳出的一份學生手抄油印刊物，稱為《新聞日報(號外)》，日期為一九八九年五月十四日，經過多次複印，字跡已呈模糊，我們勉力讀完，其中一篇「絕食書」，可謂一字一淚，作為一批新聞工作者，深感有義務將其轉載給我們華人社區，讓大家都看看這群可愛的絕食鬥士的勇氣、情操。中國現行當政為掩護其殘酷鎮壓而作法的欺世謊言，當不致自破。

在這個陽光燦爛的五月裡，我們絕食了，在這最美好的青春時刻，我們却不得不把一切生之美好絕然地留在身後了，但我們是多麼的不情願，多麼的不甘心啊。

然而，國家已經到了這樣的時刻：物價飛漲、官倒橫流、強權高懸、官僚腐敗；大批仁人志士流落海外，社會治安日趨混亂。在這民族存亡的生死關頭，同胞們，一切有良心的同胞們，請聽一聽我們的呼籲吧！

國家是我們的國家，人民是我們的人民，政府是我們的政府，我們不喊，誰喊？我們不干，誰干？盡管我們的肩膀還是很柔嫩，盡管死亡對於我們來說，還顯得過於沉重。但是，我們去了，我們却不得不去了，歷史

情感，自由是人與生俱來的天賦人權，但這却需要我們用這些年輕的生命去換取，這難道是中華民族的自願嗎？絕食乃不得已而為之，也不得不而為之。

我們以死的氣魄，為了生而戰。但我們還是孩子，我們還是孩子呀！中國母親，請認真看一看你的兒女吧！當飢餓無情地摧殘着他們的青春，當死亡正向他們逼近，你難道能夠無動於衷麼？

我們不想死，我們想好好的活着，因為我們正是人生最美好的年齡，我們不想死，我們想好好學習，祖國還是這樣的貧窮，我們似乎留下祖國就這樣去死，死亡決不是我們的追求，但是，如果一個人的死或一些人的死，能够使更多的

人活得更好，能够使祖國繁榮昌盛，我們就沒有權利去偷生。當我們挨着餓時，爸爸媽

媽們，你不要悲痛；當我們告別生命時，叔叔阿姨們，請不要傷心。我們只有一個希望，那就是讓我們能更好地活着，我們只有一個請求，請你們不要忘記，我們追求的絕不是死亡！因為民主不是幾個人的事情，民主事業也絕不是一代人能够完成的。

死亡，在期待着最廣泛而永久的回聲。人將去矣，其言也善，馬將去矣，其鳴也哀。別了，同仁，保重！死者

和生者一樣的忠誠。別了，愛人，保重，捨不下你，也不得不告別。別了，父母！請原諒，孩兒不能忠孝兩全。別了，人民！請允許我們

以這樣不得已的方式效忠。我們用生命寫成的誓言，必將晴朗共和國的天空！北京大學絕食團全體同學一九八九年五月十三日。

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北京傳來鎮壓學生事件 華裔學者名流紛紛抗議

六月三日，李鵬法西斯政「五四」我們沒趕上，但我們權鎮壓學生的消息傳來，全美趕上了一個三五年來抗日的嘩然、震驚。中國留學生及許多美國人，同時走上街頭，到各地中國使、領館前示威抗議。六月四日，舊金山一萬人自發地走上街頭，示威、抗議。下面是事件發生後一些華裔和學者所發表的言論。

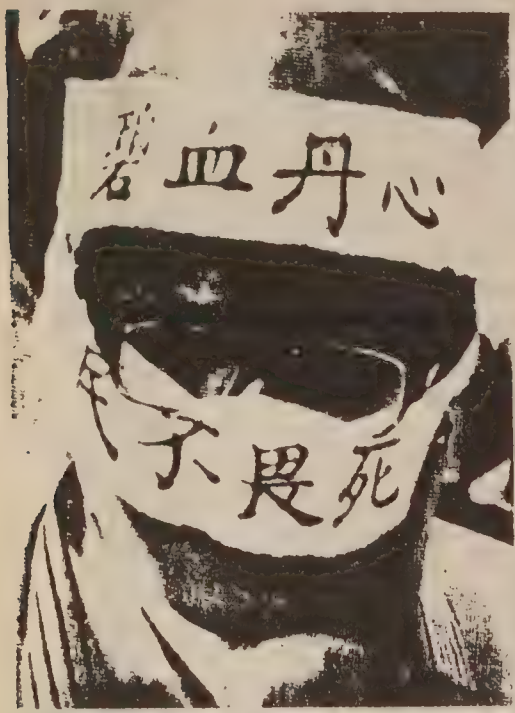
高大偉(IBM銷售經理)：原「東風書店」總經理，中國政府濫殺無辜，有人認為太愚蠢，但我却有不同看法，他們並不蠢，他們可精呢！這次屠殺，是蓄謀已久的，是中共兩派權力鬥爭的結果。強硬派如果不在一定期限內把學運鎮壓下去，他們就要失勢，鎮壓學生與市民，是他們的一種手法。整個學運發展至此，學生被鎮壓、被屠殺，強硬派得意得很，這是他們老早就要做的，為真正打擊另外一派。這恐怕是用「厚黑學」始祖李宗吾的「一敲鍋法」，鍋有個小縫，再敲一下，擴大裂痕。事態擴大了，才能收拾。

我對事態後果，悲觀了一點，並不認為像某些人想像的，作了這麼多壞事的政權，垮台指日可待。中國百姓恐還有一段罪要受。中國近代史上從未清初起，沒有一個朝代不鎮壓知識分子。但是，使用赤裸裸的暴力，連北洋政府及國民黨也不敢，他們還要有偽裝。這次屠殺，是太開歷史倒車了。我們今天遊行時還在談，真不敢相信的事，實際上却發生了，我們的主觀願望與客觀實際，相去太遠。

陳立鵬(舊金山州立大學教授)：我來美已四十一年，從來沒有如此激動、憤怒！想想從前，在國內也有學潮，

王靈智(柏克萊加大教授)：社區領袖，作為一個長期贊揚中國四十年來成就的美籍華人，我對中國政府用殘暴的武力鎮壓民主運動感到震驚與憤怒。我呼籲中國政府立刻停止這場血洗，並以學生們提出的民主改革，重建其合法的政府。我感到中國四十年來的成就，在六月三日一天之內，毀於一旦。在海外華人眼中，中共的成就「全軍覆沒」。

高得寬



參加絕食的學生視死如歸

李王懿青

說。我回頭望望，一眼看到柏楊的書，《醜陋的中國人》，柏楊啊！如果你今天來了這兒的話，你就得收回你那罵我們是一沒救了的醬缸一人的話，我們還有救。因為我們醒了，我們站起來了，我們有希望了！

走着走着，有人在招手，

了，眼也酸了，手又在痛，我看得出週圍的人也同樣的都有倦意。站在我旁邊的一位年青人說：「我們做紙花做好了一夜，真累！」我拍拍他的肩膀，心裡再說想着怎樣回去募點款子。

就在此時我看見一個張開五星旗的中年人，旗子不僅打開了，而且還穿了旗桿。那不是台北的許倫先生嗎？正在想：「怎麼回事，這個人又來了？」一陣如雷心聲音響起，「燒！燒！燒！燒」說話間，火已經燃起來了。原來那先生拿了旗是要去燒的。左右四起的呼口號又開始。我想，「現在可以走了吧！我真的是快餓扁了。」一看時間，再一刻鐘，就四點了。

●憶秦娥

心欲裂，全國救護車聲咽
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●虞美人

獨裁專制何時了？官倒知多少？神州處處有貪風，祖國不首明月中。皇親國舅今猶在，只是尊名改；此君就是不知，哪怕中華血水漫天流！

中國學生街頭詩鈔

三月漁趣話大鵬

陳方

暮春三月，正是海洋捕撈春汛。南海回春早，鯧、鰻、泥鰻、石斑、尤魚、墨魚、馬鮫等數百種魚類，紛紛到淺海覓食產卵，沿海漁民紛紛揚帆出海捕撈。在廣東寶安縣大鵬半島，最具特色的漁趣，莫過於捕捉墨魚了。

墨魚的最佳季節。捕撈墨魚除了大型拖網集中作業外，餘者均屬一船一艇的分散作業，或照或釣，有巡有誘，方法迥異。五虎八門，別具一番情趣。一照一墨魚，是選擇入夜退潮時分，在平緩的海灘，漁者手執魚叉，腰跨魚簍，手持火把沿淺灘巡梭。那用作照明的，早年或用于竹片扎成的火把，成為架燃松枝的火籃，如今則盡為汽燈。當照見墨魚隱伏石邊或閒游淺灘，便用叉刺去。一潮中個把時辰，少則可照得三五只，多時可獲十來只，收入亦不算小。

據當地漁民介紹說，清明前後，在深水越冬後的墨魚，成群結隊，浩浩蕩蕩游到淺海一產卵回游，尋找岩礁灘壁作為產卵場所，尋偶交配，繁衍後代。於是形成了當地漁民捕撈

進行。漁者駕小船，持釣具，移舟淺海，以小魚為餌，懸絲漁中，待墨魚上釣後，則慢慢收綫。墨魚貪咀，產卵後一飢腸轆轤，更會不顧一生命危險

廣東省英德縣橋頭苗圃場，初步建成目前國內最大的火炬松種子基地。最近，廣東省林業科學研究所，廣東省林業科技處，華南農業大學林學院

中國最大的炬松子基地已在廣東省英德縣建成

持鏡盆，這是一種特制的捕魚工具，形狀如桶，底嵌玻璃，透過鏡盆，數米深的大海世界清晰了然，發現墨魚，如在平坦處，使用特制的網罩罩住，如伏藻礁隙則用特制魚叉叉之。數米長的魚叉，單柄，均用整根竹竿做成，打通竹節，灌滿砂子，增加重量以減少浮力，保證穿插速度。誘是選用生猛墨魚為媒，雌雄皆可，用細繩串拴殼尖邊緣，復投海中巡梭。雌引雄，雄引雌，漁者用網箕將求偶者一一捕獲。一媒用久之後，再更換生猛墨魚為媒。用這種方法捕撈量十分可觀。常見「父子船」，「夫妻艇」等個體小戶，食宿于斯，朝暮勞作，一個漁季可收入數千元。

舊金山「風化區」的變遷

高洋

從舊金山華埠步行不到十五分鐘便到了田德隆區。這裏曾經是舊金山有名的「風化區」，是一個藏污納垢的地方，色情書店和色情影院比比皆是，脫衣舞隨處可見，妓女和兜售毒品的人游弋於街頭，醉漢橫七豎八地躺在路邊。

然而，近年來這裏卻發生了巨大的變化，贏得了「小西貢」的稱號。兩百多家商店鱗次櫛比，尤其是四十多家中餐館和越南餐館、二十多家雜貨店和十多家小百貨店生意興隆。美容院、珠寶店、中藥店也相繼出現。商店的廣告牌大都寫上醒目的中文和越文。色情場所已大部關閉，街頭的醉漢和妓女銷聲匿跡。

一個罪孽叢生的「風化區」變成一個初步繁榮的商業區，這首先要歸功於從中南半島來的移民和難民。

由於舊金山華埠人口稠密，住房租金昂貴，印支移民和難民難以棲身，就在租金便宜的田德隆區找到了住所。這裏治安不好，搶劫和謀殺不時發生。但經歷過戰火離亂和海上逃亡的印支難民，卻置這些於不顧。有些人一家五六口人擠在一個小房子裏，甚至全家老小席地而睡。他們艱苦創業，常常一天工作十幾個小時。在田德隆區經營越南牛肉湯粉的韓先生說，我們在這裏創業，靠的是四個字：勇敢勤勞。事實正是這樣，在

美國的八十萬越棉寮新移民及難民當中，有一半是華人。他們就是靠這四個字闖出一個新天地，也使多少個像田德隆這樣的地區獲得了新生。

現在，數以萬計的印支難民已成了田德隆區的新主人。他們廉價買下破舊殘敗的公寓，重新裝修粉刷使其大為升值，並建起了中文學村。那兩百多家商店更是為他們創造了巨額的財富。東埔寨華僑倪文德經營的四十多家「甜餅圈」店已遍及南北加州。



僑鄉音訊

種子園的營建任務。達二百二十畝，基本完成了

關心僑鄉教育 提高教學水平

出外深造，提高教學水平。(陳永健)

讀者之聲

編輯先生：閱報得悉國際教育統計資料顯示，中國十五歲以上人口中文盲比率接近三成，全國人民教育水平僅居全球第六十位，比許多發展中的國家為低。我從鄉間親戚來信中也知道，近年農村中許多少年不去上學，許多老師因生活清苦寧願轉謀別業，師範學院也難找有志學生。還有，在大城市中一些名校也變相大幅增收學雜費，家長們極為不滿。

★亞洲婦女服務中心舉辦的實用英語班將於六月十九日開課，分上、下午班，上午班課程分為四級由ESL五十至四百程度，內容注重日常會話為主。該班為期十週，(由六月十九日至八月二十六日)費用十二元。下午班為期八週(由六月十九日至八月十日)，費用十元。由下午一點至三點上課，程度為ESL一百。另該中心於星期六上午九點半至十二點半設有高級英語會話班，內容注重商業及社交會話。上課地點於華盛頓街九四〇號，電話：七八八—一〇〇八查詢。

華僑華裔關心家鄉教育，有不少人捐助僑鄉教育事業，但大多數只是建了一棟樓房，同鄉參加開幕儀式便了事，不大了解家鄉教育事業上所面臨問題。我看熱心人士除了捐獻學校樓房外，還應在可能範圍內，設立基金會，每年直接資助教職員工資和學生的書籍文具費用，還獎勵教員

★東北醫療中心專設膽醇檢驗至六月底止。祇收費五元。地點：三藩市士作頓街一五二〇號，電話：三九一—九六八六。凡檢驗者須先空腹八小時。

美國華人歷史學會喬遷 即將在新址舉行開幕禮

(本報訊)美國華人歷史學會喬遷新址，將於六月十七日(星期六)舉行開幕禮。屆時在中午由艾諾斯市長參加剪綵儀式，並舞獅助慶及設茶點招待來賓。歡迎各界人士參加並參觀在該會址設的歷史文物展覽。這展覽是以圖片及文物闡述華人在美國二百年的史蹟。有中英說明。展覽品包括納巴埠華人神廟的祭壇，有舊金山港灣區華人漁民營造的舢舨，有北加州華人械鬥曾用的鋼叉，有二十世紀初舊金山華人參加巡遊的龍頭等文物。展覽館內並設有小賣部，銷售有關華人歷史的書刊及紀念品。美國華人歷史學會成立於一九六三年，宗旨是發揚華人在美國的史蹟及收集保存與美國華人有關的歷史文物。該會定期開月會邀請專家演講與華人歷史有關的題目，又經常組團到歷史遺址考察。學會每月出版通訊一次，每年又刊印美國華人史論文集。歷史學會的新址是襟美慎街六五〇號(廣東銀行總行大廈後面)。開放時間：星期三至星期日，中午十二時至下午四時。電話三九一—一一八八。

民主中華基金會舉辦籌款晚會

全力支持中國學運 哀悼中國民運英烈

(舊金山訊)日前成立的民主中華基金會，九日晚間在華埠皇后酒樓舉行一項籌款餐會，各界五百多位人士參加，並籌得約二萬多元經費。

該餐會是由舊金山社區大學鄧式美主持，首先全體出席者為六四鎮壓事件死難者默哀一分鐘，然後由民主中華基金會主席高大偉致詞。

高大偉表示，國難當前，海外人士無不憤慨，大家都願意為中國進行民主改革而努力。他指出，由金山灣區人士，

金山灣區華人關心國難 中文傳播事業發展迅速

(舊金山訊)舊金山移民正義委員會九日對參議院司法委員會通過的「肯辛西移民法案」表示失望。他們呼籲亞裔人士共同致函參議院及布希總統，否決此提案。

聯邦參議院屬下司法委員會經妥協後，通過數項直接影響亞裔移民法案，包括對全世界移民數目列出六十萬的限額。法案還設立計分制度來審核利用專才申請移民的人士，並允許以投資來換取移民。法案保留第五類優先(即年滿廿一歲美國公民的兄弟姊妹

移民正義委員會共同主席鄧式美說，肯尼迪、辛普森及西蒙所達成的移民制度改革法案，設有全球移民限額，包括直系親屬在內，以致其他親屬移民人數減少。她說，這三位議員的共同修正案，保留了肯辛西移民案中限制移民名額的特點，所以他們反對此案。他們支持西蒙原先的提案和伯曼所提的另

一移民案，該項法案可以增加親屬申請移民的名額。鄧式美說，通過直系親屬移民的人數向無限制，因此如今的法案是第二次排華。

共同主席潘伯虎表示，希望透過不同管道設法遊說總統及參眾兩院議員否決此案，並開展簽署運動，讓國會知道亞裔人士反對此案。他又說，若此項法案通過，將使很多申請移民者延長等待名額的時間，使移民家庭難得團聚。

目前正義委員會已展開遊說工作，並在本周向舊金山市議會爭取支持西蒙及伯曼法案。此項由司法委員會通過的移民法案，需經參議院舉行辯論及表決。

市府華埠藝術會循眾要求 特聘請駱佩鈺增設氣功班

(舊金山訊)市府華埠藝術會循眾要求，特聘請駱佩鈺在該會址增設氣功班，由六月十五日起開始，每星期四晚上七時至九時，連續五週為一期。授課地點在本市堅尼街七五〇號華埠假日旅館三樓文化中心內，駱佩鈺氣功師，承

繼祖傳功夫、自幼勤習。原在廣州體育學院氣功研究室任氣功師，並在廣州中山醫學院及廣東省醫院等中國醫療機構從事氣功教學、研究及氣功治療臨床工作。自一九八二年移民來美後，曾受聘於柏克萊加州大學研究院教授中國氣功課程，又受聘於三藩市心理學中心、女青年會及各醫師學會講學。課程深受歡迎，學生遍佈世界各國。駱佩鈺對中國氣功理論研究精闢入微，並從中西醫學觀點來論述氣功的實質。

她總結了其豐富的教學與治療經驗，編著有「氣功使人健康」、「氣功三百問」及「氣功學」等，發行於世界各地。氣功班的課程有氣功理論的探索、研究，包括「自發動功」、「站樁功」、「一長壽保健按摩」的教授。五節課為一期，

參加餐會的政要及社會名流濟濟一堂，包括：國會議員蘭西·普魯斯和巴巴拉博塞，前任加州州長布朗、市參事比爾·馬哈和謝國翔、雷連達、郭麗蓮、王靈智、蔡流輪、余胤良、鄧孟詩、謝國器等。中國國會議員巴巴拉博塞說，使她心中極為憤怒。她與其議員聯合促請布希政府採取更積極行動來制裁中國當局。國會議員蘭西·普魯斯抨擊布希，責其軟弱。她表示目

前最有可能受到援助的是一批赴美留學生，她對大屠殺事件表示不能容忍。前加州州長布朗希望布希不要對中國當局採取「雙重標準」。

與會的還有加大柏克萊的學生代表、愛華社的黃升培在會上傾訴留學生的痛苦心情。他說，保障國內學生的安全是

據悉，舊金山的中文報章銷量已有了不少增長，而在天安門血案發生以後，發行量又驟增一倍。

在金山華埠發行的大小中文報紙約有廿家之多，據此間一家中文報紙發行人估計，華埠中文報紙總發行量，從天安門事件後，已經從每天三萬份，驟增至六萬份左右。

舊金山的廿六號電視台——加州最大的華語電視台，其晚間的卅分鐘華語新聞，已延長為一個小時。這項以粵語廣播為主，再以國語複述的新聞，據說聽眾已達十六萬人。

市府廣場舉行萬人追悼會
總領事館一官員宣佈叛離

(舊金山訊)六月十日晚，上在金山市府廣場舉行萬人大會，追悼在六四事件中死於國難的大陸同胞。

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鄧小平中南海再度亮相 軍事鎮壓轉為政治鎮壓

大規模搜捕民運份子正在進行

（綜合訊）中共中央軍委主席鄧小平在一片鎮壓聲中終於露面。中國政局也以此契機由軍事鎮壓轉為政治鎮壓。還在軍事鎮壓、槍聲頻頻中，六月八日北京市政府和戒嚴部隊指揮部就連續發表了第九、十、十一號三個通告，分別宣佈：如有破壞交通者，所有執勤人員有權強行處置；市高自聯和工自聯為非法組織，其頭目必須投案自首，否則逮捕歸案依法嚴辦；檢舉揭發

暴亂份子。九日，鄧小平在中南海懷仁堂接見了戒嚴部隊軍以上幹部，參加接見的有楊尚昆、李鵬、喬石、姚依林、萬里、李先念、彭真、王震、薄一波等。趙紫陽和胡啓立沒有出席。據新華社報導，鄧小平在接見時發表講話說，這場風波的到來是不以人意為轉移的，極少數人先是搞動亂，後來進一步發展到反革命暴亂。他們的目的是要打倒共產黨，推翻社會主義制度，顛覆中華人民共和國，建立一個資產階級共和國。他說，經過這次風波，將使他們前進得更穩、更好、更快。他表示要堅定不移地堅持四項基本原則和開放改革。以鄧小平出現為契機，北京已由軍事鎮壓轉向政治鎮壓，種種跡象都顯示着正展開大規模搜捕參與民運的份子。從十日晚到十一日凌晨，北京進行了夜間搜捕。市內到處都設有搜查路障，幾乎每一個主要路口都有軍警截查來往車輛、單車和行人。軍警要求人們出示居民證，發現可疑的就加以扣押。到十一日凌晨，就已知有四百人被捕，包括若干學生和工人領袖。現在搜捕已擴及各地。配合政治鎮壓的當局加強了宣傳攻勢。軍隊鎮壓人民的場面沒有在中央電視台出現，一切傳媒大做文章把責任歸咎示威者。

徐邦泰認為申請政治庇護 不應成為留學生追求目標

（舊金山訊）柏克萊加大中國留學生認為，申請政治庇護不應成為留學生的目標。據此間吳強乃律師事務所的新聞稿，一九八七年在布朗大學獲得數學博士學位的中國大學留學生紀敦陸已成為北京六四事件以來首位在美申請庇護的大陸人士。

柏克萊加大「愛華社」總幹事徐邦泰對此事的評論是：「（綜合訊）兩名日前參加會見希總統的中國大陸留學生，八日在《華盛頓郵報》上撰文，希望國民黨不要介入大陸的政局，這只會增加分裂中國的機會。喬治敦大學的韓小興與華盛頓大學的賈浩在文章中說，大陸的民主運動是民主愛國運動，它不應演成國民黨與共產黨的衝突。他們說台灣人民有權利表示他們支持大陸上的同胞，但台灣當局應置身事外，即使道義和財政支持也是十分危險，而秘密活動則更對此不利。」

中國留美學生呼籲 台勿干預大陸政局

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民主之火不會熄滅
一九八六年我有機會陪同三藩市市立大學一位教務長訪問山東省五間省級大學和師範學院。記得當時一位師範教授對我說：「現在的青年都不願當教師了。幾個月發了財，買了部機車，穿上新衣服，有空便騎着他的新車回校找舊同學，好不威风！」另一位說：「現在的青年都沒志氣，像整個社會一樣，終是向錢看……」

美國使館揀得熱山芋
中國當局通緝方勵之
（綜合訊）美國駐華大使館為中國異見份子方勵之提供不同政見者。庇護所，無異檢起一個燙手山芋。美國大使館上周給方勵之夫婦提供保護一事，中國當局早已提出嚴重抗議。十一日，中國當局正式下令通緝方勵之。李淑賢夫婦，罪名是進行「反革命宣傳煽動」。美國國務院對北京警方下令逮捕方勵之的方勵之作「常敏」，他說對此事最好默不出反應說，在正常情況下，美作聲。

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我回美後，在華埠也聽說好些僱主喜用越南難民，而不喜聘大陸來的新移民。他們對大陸來的有意見，說他們「又懶又不求上進」。大家試看看，一個國家的接班人只顧賺錢，只會利己，沒有志氣，沒有進取心，這就是亡國的先兆。

五月傳來一聲雷！北京學潮中，湧現了一批青年領袖，他們的言論，使人耳目一新。這些學生敢於挺身而前，反對貪官污吏，爭取民主自由，有理想，有紀律，有智慧，有勇氣。雖然許多青年在六四鎮壓中犧牲或被捕下獄了，但這也暴露了中國暴政獨夫醜惡的一面。這次學潮使我們對中國青年的印象基本改變，對一些受迫害的學運領袖們加倍敬仰。我們深信民主之火在中國不會就此熄滅，我們深信盡失民心的政權遲早敗亡。

（劉池光）